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Sunshine Yesterday — None.

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Argentina Has Hitler Setup

U.S. Claims Nation Ready to Duplicate Prewar Germany

Copy of Germany's Economic and Industrial War Machine in Hands of Southern Country

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 (AP). — The United States warned the world today that Nazis have built in Argentina a complete copy of the economic war machine that made Germany and possess all the essentials for reorganizing their aggressive power while the Allies occupy their homeland.

The warning was set forth in a 40,000-word "blue book" on Argentina distributed to the other governments of North and South America as part of the current inter-American consultations on the Buenos Aires regime.

Argentina was not included in these inter-Government talks.

Based largely on Nazi documents captured in a German salt mine, the department denounced the successive Argentine Governments for having given "positive aid" to the Axis during the war.

The department said the evidence justifies concluding that:

1 The totalitarian individuals and groups controlling the Argentine Government now aim to set up a totalitarian state and that this has been "partly accomplished."

2 By the brutal use of force and terrorist methods . . . the military regime has made a mockery of its pledge to the United Nations" to reaffirm faith in human rights.

3 Ever since the Allies invaded Europe, Argentina had been adopting a "defensive strategy of camouflage" and that its "repeated avowals of pro-democratic intentions" proceed from this plan.

4 The policies and actions of the recent regimes in Argentina were aimed at undermining the Inter-American system.

Noting that more than half of last year's budget in Argentina was spent for building up Argentina's armed forces, the department declared that "in Argentina the Germans have constructed a complete duplicate of the wartime structure for war they had in Germany."

"They believe," it continued, "today in Argentina the economic organization, industrial, commercial and agricultural, which they need to provide a base for the reconstitution of German aggressive power."

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May Break Diplomatic Relations

Report Unfounded U.N. Delegate Says

LONDON, Feb. 12 (AP). — Luis Merino Quintana, Argentine Foreign Undersecretary and head of his nation's delegation to the United Nations Assembly, tonight rejected as unfounded United States charges that his government was Fascist.

At the same time United Nations delegates speculated that Russia might introduce the Argentine case" to the Security Council.

The United States delegation said the further action was contemplated" on charges made by the State Department in Washington that the Argentine Government had waged against the United Nations.

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 12 (AP). — Political observers tonight interpreted a United States blue book charging the Argentine Government of actively co-operating with the Nazis as the most serious indictment ever made against an American republic. They speculated whether its issuance might not provoke a curtailment of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

Will Discuss Fishing Wharf

Establishment of a modern and fully equipped fishermen's wharf at the foot of Erie Street will be discussed by Fisheries Minister H. F. G. Rickers when he reaches Victoria this week.

This was announced yesterday by R. W. Mayhew, M.P., who reported plans for the pioneer wharf had been completed by K. Morton, Federal engineer for British Columbia, and had been forwarded to Ottawa.

Mr. Mayhew indicated the plans had been favorably received at Ottawa, and said the project had been included among the 1946 estimates. Cost of the planned wharf will be about $87,000.

Labor Seeking Wage Increases As Reconversion Lowers Pay

OTTAWA, Feb. 12 (CP). — While increased labor is mapping plans for wage increase drives actual wages paid hourly-rate workers in Canadian industries are steadily declining, it was indicated tonight in new Dominion Bureau of Statistics figures.

The bureau's figures were based on man-hours and hourly earnings in 8,111 Canadian plants with a total of 1,186,156 hours of work employed at December 1. They showed the average worker in a manufacturing plant, on an hourly rate, was receiving 93 cents an hour, compared with 70.5 cents at December 1, 1944.

This, coupled with a reduction of time worked from 46.1 hours to 44.8 hours reduced the weekly earnings from $32.64 to $30.02. The employee reporting showed a reduction of about 10,000 in their payrolls compared with the month previous.

The bureau reported the reduction in hourly earnings to be the seventh consecutive cut. The trend was attributed to changeover in industrial distribution of wage earners in the conversion from war to peace production, industrial disputes and reconversion.

Meanwhile, from organized labor there was mounting evidence of a determination to improve wage conditions. The general trend was to obtain raises which would give the same or slightly higher amounts in weekly pay envelopes for a 40-hour week that previously was paid for a 48-hour week.

Canadian Congress of Labor union officials are scheduled to discuss wages at an executive council meeting tomorrow. On the Pacific Coast a joint T.L.C.-C.C.L. committee is planning a mass demonstration at Victoria next month in a drive for a 30-hour week and a base rate of 80 cents an hour.

Alberni to Buy Military Hospital

PORT ALBERNI, Feb. 12. Negotiations have been received by Mayor J. E. Hoeman from the War Assets Corporation Montreal that the village may purchase the military hospital and nurses' home at the Army Camp here, together with about 4 acres of land on which the buildings are situated for $12,771.12. This is about 4 per cent of the original cost.

As soon as the purchase is completed by the city it is understood the hospital building will be sold to Blordel, Stewart & Ween, Ltd., who will use it as emergency housing for the men to be employed in the new pulp mill here. The company will spend $15,000 on alterations to the building.

For the present the city will retain the nurses' home for emergency housing purposes.

Overhaul of Traffic Laws And New Parking Rules Urged by Chief of Police

Warning Lights, Traffic Meters Urged for Victoria; Police Commission to Consider Proposals Saturday

A city-wide plan for a complete overhaul of traffic and parking regulations was presented to the Police Commission yesterday afternoon by Chief J. A. McLellan.

The plan includes elimination of left hand turns on a section of Douglas Street, marking of traffic lanes, installation of warning lights, restriction of parking time throughout the downtown area, elimination of angle parking on main streets, installation of parking meters, and a number of other major changes in present regulations.

The plan will be considered in detail at a special meeting of the police commission Saturday morning at 11.

Mayor Percy E. George, chairman of the commission, complimented the chief on his recommendations, pointing out that few people realized that the population of Victoria had increased nearly 45 per cent since 1939, and necessitated widespread improvements in handling traffic.

Commissioner B. J. Gadsden termed it "a very progressive report," and stated it must be given very careful consideration.

In presenting his recommendations Chief McLellan pointed out that "the continued increase in vehicular traffic will require drastic reductions and control of curb parking space." Priority in the use of city streets should be given to moving vehicles, secondly to vehicles loading or unloading merchandise and lastly to parked cars, he thought.

"A solution in the parking problem is of advantage not only to motorists, but to merchants," the chief stated. "The prosperity of a business district depends largely on the ease with it can be reached by customers.

CONGESTED TRAFFIC BUSINESS HINDRANCE

"When traffic is congested because of improper parking, customers will shop elsewhere, and business may become decentralized a costly result for merchants. Moving vehicles rather than parked cars bring business to a commercial area," Chief McLellan asserted.

He suggested it was time to make plans for an open well parking structure with two or three decks above ground and additional space below ground. Off-the-street parking facilities was the only alternative to decline in the central business district, he said.

Installation of parking meters to assist in controlling available parking space in the downtown area was strongly recommended. Experience in other centres had shown that the meters were more effective than the patrol officer in enforcement of parking limits, the chief said.

Other recommendations submitted to the commission for approval include:

Pedestrian Lanes. That the pedestrian lanes be widened and divided by a middle line, and that a directional sign be painted on each half of the lane "Keep to the Right."

Parabol Parking. That the spaces

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New York Goes Back To Normal

New Fuel Supply Eases Paralysis

NEW YORK, Feb. 12. — The United Auto Workers (C.I.O.) today received and rejected—as one emotion in a General Motors offer of an 18½c hourly wage increase as the arrival of new fuel oil supplies eased the business and industrial paralysis that had transformed bustling New York into a silent, stricken city.

Mayor William O'Dwyer revoked his sweeping order, which shut down all but essential services in New York for 24 hours. Where 2,600,000 gallons of fuel oil were brought into the city during the day. He said the Office of Defence Transportation had assured him of several additional trips to bring in oil tomorrow.

Food Cuts Protested In Britain

Protest Serving Restaurant Meals

LONDON, Feb. 12 (AP). — Thousands of British women at mass meetings in various parts of Britain today angrily protested newly announced food restrictions.

A stormy gathering of 2,000 women at Liverpool urged that "three real British housewives" be sent to Canada, Australia and the United States to explain how the British housewife struggled to feed her family.

Both this meeting and a gathering of another 2,000 women at Walsall, Cheshire, near Liverpool protested to Prime Minister Attlee against further food cuts, suggesting that Food Minister Sir Ben Smith "should instead consider reducing meals supplied in hotels and restaurants.

One woman said "It makes our mouths water to read of meals being supplied in the delegates at the United Nations conference when we are at our ends to find food for our children and menfolk."

Tanks, Troops In Calcutta to End Disorder

CALCUTTA, Feb. 12 (AP). — A new outburst of rioting in Calcutta killed 11 persons and injured 100 and British authorities imposed martial law tonight, moving in troops and tanks to halt the disorders which had spread to Bombay and New Delhi.

Announcing martial law Governor R. G. Casey declared in a broadcast:

"If the troops are impeded in their efforts to restore order and to open up roads to normal traffic, they will use their weapons."

The riots began Monday when Hindu students, mostly Moslems, protested a seven-year sentence of a Moslem officer of the Japanese-sponsored Indian National Army." Yesterday the disorders spread to Bombay and New Delhi from Calcutta, second largest city in the British Empire.

Mr. Casey warned peaceful citizens to keep off the streets, and said

"Both the army and police will use the greatest possible energy provided they are not interfered with."

Six Persons Dead In Burned House

TISDALE flash Feb 12 (CP). — Trapped in their rooms by smoke and flame-swept hallways, six persons, a mother, her two children, two nieces and a nephew, died today in the village home of Zenon Pawa, a village near Love and 100 miles northeast of Saskatoon.

In sub-zero weather the flames swept through the two-storey frame, one minutes blocking exits and building all reserve attempts. The fire is believed to have started in the basement.

Small Chance of Gold Rush At Muncho Lake Officials Say

While maintaining keen interest reports of a gold rush to Muncho Lake in Northern British Columbia, officials of the Provincial Department of Mines do not at present agree with the theory that the renewed discovery of gold by an Alcan truck driver

The department has no official information of the strike

A minimum geological reconnaissance was made in that area two years ago and there was little in the report to indicate the possibility of gold at Muncho Lake, Dr. J. F. Walker deputy minister of mines said yesterday.

But you sometimes find it where you least expect it, he commented.

Dr. Walker remarked, however, it was strange that the geological survey party did not hear of the Muncho find at the time of their reconnaissance

It is not the department's intention to send a man to the area immediately as the ground is still covered by snow and weather conditions are unfavorable. The first opportunity for an examination of strikes unless they come from a sunny area and there is nothing to warrant placing Muncho Creek in that category at present.

Reports from Fort St. John predict a gold rush of "considerable proportions" to Muncho Lake in the Spring. A party of prospectors is already on the scene and 18 groups of claims have been staked.

Nickel in Slot Suggested To Curb Over-Parking

Provision of off-street parking space is the only alternative to decline in activity in the central business district, Police Chief J. A. McLellan stated yesterday.

Since Victoria has few vacant spaces downtown, the chief suggested more space might be provided by construction of an open-walled parking building.

Such structures are used in other centres with congested parking conditions, he said. Frequently they have contained of concrete, several storeys high. Cars which normally use parking space occupying several blocks can be housed in such structures.

The cost of building could be paid off by earnings from small parking fees and partly by funds contributed by the use of parking meters, he said.

At the present time, Chief McLellan stated, many persons employed downtown occupy parking space on main streets throughout the shopping period, preventing persons who wish to enter stores from obtaining space. To avoid paying three hours parking fees they resort of moving their cars a few feet at intervals, he suggested.

Use of parking meters would ensure a fairer use of space by all concerned. In some centres parking meters are placed so parking may be obtained for short periods for only one cent. This would take care of those who only wanted to pause momentarily to enter shops. The parking fee paid into other meters would be large enough to deter who wish to park for a longer period. In the less congested districts a longer parking period is provided for the same price—for example five cents. Chief McLellan explained.

Police can easily check violations, he added, because when the parking period paid for is ended, an indicator shows the fact on the instrument.

Victoria to Have War Assets Office

A supply warehouse and supply office for War Assets Corporation will be established in Victoria soon, it was revealed in a telephone conversation with E. W. Bourque, Vancouver, regional supply manager.

He expected negotiations for the building will be completed and a lease signed within a few days. Mr. Bourque stated the warehouse may be established at other points on Vancouver Island, depending on the quantity of surpluses available.

A War Assets sales office may also be established here, possibly in a month's time, stated Major M. Montgomery, branch sales manager.

Highs and Lows Of the Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precip. Inches
Montreal	15	10	.07
Toronto	33	29	.02
Winnipeg	5	1	.02
Port Arthur	1	8	.21
Prince Rupert	45	36	Trace
Edmonton	10	5	
Regina	16	5	.49
Prince Albert	14	3	.02
Lethbridge	4	12	
Calgary	16	8	.01
Kamloops	36	24	
Kelowna	19	16	.01
Vancouver	45	36	
Victoria	43	32	
Portland	46	36	
Prince George	8	2	
Prince Rupert	34	23	.02
Seattle	46	36	Trace
Portland	46	36	
San Francisco	50	46	
San Francisco	50	46	

(The report covers 24 hours ending at 8 a.m., P.S.T., yesterday.)

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All Serene Between Britain and Russia Here

Ernest Bevin, in a seemingly affectionate and confidential pose, puts his hand on Andrei Vishinsky's shoulder and whispers something in his ear at the party with which Vishinsky entertained the U.N. at the Soviet Embassy in London—an absolute contrast to the frigid verbal antagonisms of the two Foreign Ministers at the U.N. Security Council session which preceded it. Later they shook hands in the council and now all appears serene.

U.N. Votes to Investigate Europe Refugee Problem

LONDON, Feb 12 (CP). — The United Nations Assembly voted unanimously tonight for an investigation of the European refugee problem after rejecting three Russian proposals for restricting political activities of individuals in displaced persons camps.

Russia and United States delegates, however, opposed the restriction which Andrei Vishinsky, Soviet foreign vice-commissar, insisted were necessary to prevent Fascist collaborators from issuing a "call to treason" to refugee camps.

The assembly proposal prohibited refugees would not be compelled to return to their countries of origin if they had "valid objections."

A Russian proposal to prohibit anti-United Nations propaganda in refugee camps was voted down 31-8.

A second Soviet proposal calling for the control of administrative personnel in the camps, was rejected 28-9.

Finally an amendment calling for a return to their countries immediately of any war criminals disguised as refugees was turned down 26-10.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, speaking for the United States, said the restrictions "are restrictive to human rights and human freedoms."

She argued that the proposal before the assembly provided adequately for return of war criminals and objected to changes in the Soviet amendments, which had been supported by Poland and Yugoslavia.

Hector McNeill British undersecretary for Foreign Affairs, also opposed the Russian amendments saying his Government had always favored firmness towards political refugees.

In-Laws Tougher Than Battlefields

LONDON, Feb. 12 (CP). — Ex-soldiers aren't happy living with their in-laws, George Edwards, former gunner, has told the Woolwich Branch of the Royal Artillery Association. I've had engagements coming to me who have been living with their mothers-in-law and saying they would sooner be back on the battlefields," he said.

City Dealers Prepare for Nylon Rush

Victoria merchants are prepared for lively business when nylon stockings go on sale Tuesday but most of them do not anticipate mobbing scenes. One store will sell "over the counter." Others have priority lists and postcard systems worked out.

C. H. Chubb Hudson's Bay Company manager, said "we are about the only firm who will be selling nylons over the counter." No preference will be given anyone. Special arrangements will be made, however, for customers. The company will shortly advertise its plans.

J. V. Barron, director of David Spencer Ltd., stated orders were taken ahead of time so that firm "and we expect no rush. We will not be selling any across the counter for some time."

He explained that about the second week in January orders were taken, using penny postcards. When the nylons arrive those who placed their orders first will be notified which is come and pick them up. We are going to notify a certain number each day to avoid a rush."

E. Mellek operating Mellek's Ltd and Eddie's Women's Wear, also had names listed on postcards. When the amount of hosiery available is known, the cards will be drawn from a box, to the number of pairs of nylons, and each card will then be mailed to the person whose name is on it

Saanich Approves Transport Scheme

Saanich Municipal Council last night approved the joint B.C. Electric and Vancouver Island Coach Lines integrated transportation plan for Greater Victoria

BULLETINS

Note Discounted

LONDON, Feb. 12 (Reuters). — A well-informed London source closely identified with the Foreign Office early today discounted as improbable a report from Madrid that the British Government had issued a stiff note calling for Generalissimo Franco's surrender of power as the Spanish Chief of State

Clark Upheld

WASHINGTON, Feb 12 (AP). — The War Department today upheld General Mark Clark's role in ordering the 133d Infantry Regiment of the United States 36th Division in Italy and declared that the Texas casualties were not in vain. The Department sent an official report to the House of Representatives military affairs committee, which will determine later whether a Congressional investigation should be ordered.

Succeeds Montgomery

LONDON, Feb. 12 (CP).—Prime Minister Attlee announced tonight the appointment of Air Chief Marshal Sir Sholto Douglas, of the R.A.F. as commander-in-chief of British forces in Germany. He succeeds Viscount Montgomery, who is to become chief of the imperial general staff June 26.

World Government

LONDON, Feb 15 (CP).—A proposal for a world government was presented today to a meeting of the United Nations delegates.

The plan, called the "Dublin Declaration" because it was drafted at an independent conference at Dublin, New Hampshire, last October, proposed a world legislature of 307 members from the present 51 United Nations with an ultimate strength of 400 representatives as membership extended to every country in the world.

Club Closing

LONDON, Feb. 12 (CP).—Queen Mary, Field Marshal Alexander and Lady Margaret, and Rt. Hon. and Mrs. Vincent Massey will be among the guests attending the closing of the Beaver Club, wartime haunt of Canadian servicemen, February 19, it was announced today.

Housing of Citizens Still Continues To Be One of Dominion's Big Problems

Victoria shares with communities across the Dominion an acute housing shortage. Topaz Avenue army huts being converted into suites for servicemen and their wives, and 150 houses being built for veterans, will only scratch the surface of present demand

Thirteen of the Topaz Avenue suites are ready. There are between [illegible] remaining 22. There are more than 800 applications for the 150 houses under construction, of which 12 are to be complete this week.

Port Alberni plans to purchase a former R.C.A.F. hospital and nurses home from War Assets Corporation to use as emergency housing.

By Canadian Press Staff Writer

Faced with the country's most critical housing shortage, a situation growing daily more serious, Canadian cities are turning to emergency accommodation to shelter homeless citizens.

Winter's cold and continued swelling of populations by additional returned men lend urgency to the problem.

Urban centres, bulging with former war workers and ex-servicemen and their families, are moving to convert army barracks, air stations and wartime office buildings into apartments—anything to tide residents over until full launching of a home-building program.

The problem

Depression-born, the housing scarcity, accepted more or less cheerfully as a wartime hardship, took on alarming proportions after hostilities ended and fighting men, many with war brides, started to come home in thousands.

One result

Many servicemen who had left wives and families in Canada when they sailed for overseas returned to find them living in cramped quarters or sharing dingy flats in crowded tenements.

A survey by The Canadian Press reveals that across the land conversion of military buildings to civilian shelter and efforts to speed home construction are going forward.

In Ottawa the situation hinges to a great extent on the exodus of military and wartime Government staffs. The Canadian Legion has arranged for building 200 Wartime Housing homes to help between 500 and 600 veterans seeking shelter.

A number of former Ottawa residential properties which have been used as barracks to accommodate service personnel will be available shortly for emergency civilian housing.

Toronto's [illegible] probably as difficult as that of any other large Canadian city. Every inch of living space is filled, families are "doubling up," and shortages of labor and material are hampering progress of home-building projects.

Halifax is taking over a number of military establishments, but officials say that will not go far toward relieving the home shortage.

In the Nova Scotian mining town of Stellarton 24 citizens have formed a company and will pool their labor in constructing 24 homes for themselves on a block of land adjoining a similarly completed venture. The Nova Scotia Housing Commission will finance the project for a 20-year term at 3 1-2 per cent interest.

Montreal housing officials estimate their city requires at least 50,000, and possibly 62,000 new dwellings to meet present needs and replace badly deteriorated accommodations.

Approximately 100 applications a day pour into the Winnipeg Housing Registry, which last month received 1,630 applications, the majority from couples and from families with one child. Nine buildings formerly occupied by the R.C.A.F. release depot are being remodelled for homes for about 60 families, 550 low-priced homes are under construction in the city, 250 more are to be started in the Spring, and 225 dwellings are being built in the suburbs.

Atomic Bombs No Good for Ice

SASKATOON, Feb. 12 (CP)—There has been no suggestion made at the Inter-Provincial Conference here that atomic bombs might be used to clear ice in Hudson Bay, George Le Beau, Hudson Bay Route Association promotional director, said today.

The hint contained in a Winnipeg dispatch, that such a proposal would be suggested was a "ridiculous rumor," he said. "Anybody who knows anything about atomic bombs can see how foolish such a suggestion would be. . . There are other scientific and practical ways of removing ice from harbors."

Ask Province Stand Entire Education Cost

Implying dissatisfaction with the Cameron report, a Township of Langley resolution that the Provincial Government be asked to pay 100 per cent of education costs and lift taxation for education completely off the land was endorsed by Saanich Municipal Council at a meeting last night.

The council registered strong objection to the drawing of a line to divide Saanich in two for educational purposes under the Cameron report, and will inform Norman Whittaker, M.L.A., of its opinion.

Reeve A. G. Lambrick stated that the Government had failed to appoint a fact-finding commission to report upon the question of dividing Saanich from the point of view of all services; but now were on the point of drawing the dividing line for educational purposes alone without consulting the people of Saanich.

The reeve declared that if a line were drawn, all services should be considered rather than education alone. He and Councillor John Oliver, Councillor Robert Noble and Councillor J. W. Casey were appointed a committee to approach the Department of Education and Department of Municipal Affairs on the question of drawing a line for educational purposes, to be considered along with amalgamation and secession movements.

The proposed education dividing line for Saanich runs from the north end of Mount Douglas Park to the line between Victoria district and the Lake district, to the East Saanich Road, to Olanford Avenue, along Mann Avenue to the westerly boundary of Section 98 north to the boundary line between Ward Four and Five and westerly along the ward boundary to the municipal boundary.

Under the scheme Wards One, Two, Three, Seven and nearly all of Four would be joined to the Greater Victoria school district. Wards Five and Six and a small portion of Four would be included in North Saanich school district, which also takes in James Island.

Shows Shawnigan Use of Inhalator

SHAWNIGAN LAKE, Feb. 12—A demonstration of the use of the newly-acquired inhalator was given residents of the Shawnigan Lake area by Lieutenant F. Briers, Victoria Fire Department, in Shawnigan Lake Athletic Association Hall, Monday evening.

A clear and comprehensive outline of the use of the apparatus and the necessary fundamentals of first aid involved were given to the large and interested audience. Lieut. Briers also gave a demonstration of the latest practices in fire rescue work.

LONDON (CP)—The Secretary of State for Scotland has appointed a Scottish National Parks Committee to advise him on the administrative and financial requirements of a system of national parks in Scotland.

Leader Honors Pledge Made To Free China

CHUNGKING, Feb. 12 (AP)—President Chiang Kai-Shek honored today his pledge for a new birth of freedom in China.

The supreme national defence council, now China's highest ruling authority, approved the repeal or [illegible] restricting freedom of speech and other civil rights.

The Generalissimo had pledged the people full civil liberties in his opening address before the recent political consultation (Unity) conference January 12.

The council acted as Chungking showed increased preoccupation with the situation in Manchuria.

Private reports circulated today that the Russians were building barracks in Manchuria, bolstering rumors their withdrawal would not be completed before the end of May at the earliest.

Chinese arriving at Tientsin from Manchuria said Monday Soviet notices posted in the principal cities of Mukden, Changchun and Harbin set June 1 as the withdrawal date.

The last formal deadline for the Russian departure was February 1. Various spokesmen recently have made a point of the fact that the Chinese Government has not asked the Soviets to extend their stay, as was the case in January.

There has been considerable speculation that the Russians were delaying the withdrawal while they asked for more economic concessions in Manchuria. Chungking has admitted new concessions have been asked, and unofficial quarters said they dealt with mining and other basic resources.

Transportation Group to Meet

Representatives of Greater Victoria will be called together Thursday to discuss new developments in the problem of unified transportation, Alderman H. M. Diggon, chairman of the city committee announced yesterday.

The representatives will have two proposals to study.

One is a joint offer from the B.C.E.R. and the Vancouver Island Coach Lines to share in the operation of a unified system with a basic fare structure and a system of exchanging transfers. The proposal includes an offer to buy out the Blue Line Transit Company, which operates in Oak Bay.

The Blue Line Transit have submitted a counter-offer to share with the other two companies in running a unified system and exchanging transfers. Alternatively the Blue Line offers to buy out the B.C.E.R. and the Vancouver Island Coach Lines.

The city transportation committee met yesterday with Professor E. S. Farr, who recently appeared before the Greater Victoria committee.

Alderman Diggon stated that although the whole question of transportation was discussed, no decisions were made.

Marine Service Station Planned

Plans are under way to establish a new marine repair station in the Inner Harbor at the foot of Kingston Street.

The centre will be operated by Capt. A. Di Casiri. Existing plans call for an extension of nearly 60 feet to the present dock at McColl-Frontenac Oil Co. Ltd. The proposed new dock will berth as many as 30 fishboats.

Mechanical repairs, provision of fishermen's supplies, and fuel will be included in planned services. A scow will be used temporarily as a dock extension.

It is also planned to have a high-speed radio-equipped service boat stationed at the location. This vessel would be used to assist smaller boats in need of immediate repairs.

Seafarers Seek Better Quarters

Universal practice of accommodating crew members of coastwise and deep-water vessels in quarters below the water line was criticized by members of the Seafarers' International Union, Victoria branch, at their meeting Monday.

Because of cramped and confined quarters on many ships crew members become easy victims in any accident, speakers pointed out.

The safety of passengers and the ship itself in any emergency largely depended on the crew members being at their proper stations as soon as possible, it was stated. The present possibility of crewmen being trapped far below decks was a danger to all vessels during an emergency as it divided the attentions of responsible officers aboard, wasted precious time in investigation and prevented the trapped men from assisting in abandoning ship or in rescue operations.

Health and sanitation were other important considerations that must not be overlooked, speakers contended.

The union has presented its case to the National War Labor Board on behalf of the members of the crews of coastwise steamships. The group is also asking an upward revision of basic wage scales and uniformity of wages paid on the British Columbia coast.

GLASGOW (CP)—An Admiralty proposal to build a new graving dock on the Clyde would make it possible for the Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth to return to the port where they were built for overhauls.

Lone Policeman Attempts to Clear Traffic

TO aid in training pedestrians to properly observe traffic lights, Chief J. A. McLellan recommended to the police commission yesterday the purchase of a loud-speaking system. The commission decided that the purchase price of $300 was one of the items which could be cut from a budget already $29,659 above last year.

The above photograph, taken at the corner of Yates and Douglas, shows how such a system might be put to good use. A lone policeman can be seen attempting to clear pedestrian traffic from his stand on the street corner.

Commissioner B. J. Gadsden, who did not agree that the item should be cut from the estimates, thought a loud-speaking system would be an excellent way to train offending pedestrians.

"People are very careless in the downtown area here," he declared. "In other centres loud-speaking systems have been used to very great effect."

B.C. Prison Libraries Set Pace for Canada

In prison library modernization and expansion as in many other phases of social uplift work, British Columbia has set the pace for Canada.

Inmates of corrective institutions in the Province today have at their disposal not only well-stocked local libraries of fictional and non-fictional works, but also through an arrangement with the Vancouver Public Library have on call books on specialized subjects to aid them toward rehabilitation.

These prison library reforms are a comparatively recent development in British Columbia. In common with other provinces in the Dominion, institutional libraries here two or three years ago were out of date, colorless and of little interest to inmates either for entertainment or improvement.

However, when Hon. R. L. Maitland, K.C., took over as Attorney-General, funds were made available under his authority for the complete reorganization of the prison library services, and the Public Library Commission was given the go ahead signal to institute adequate service not only in the men's and women's jails at Oakalla but also in the three outlying jails at Nelson, Kamloops and Prince George.

This was not a flash in the pan. On the contrary, when Miss Elizabeth H. Morton, executive secretary of the Canadian Library Council, visited the Province last year in the course of a Dominion-wide tour under the auspices of the Rockefeller Foundation, she gave top place to British Columbia for its work in the prisons.

LIBRARY AT OAKALLA "OUTSTANDING, UNIQUE"

Miss Morton visited Oakalla with British Columbia Police Commissioner T. W. S. Parsons, C. K. Morison, superintendent of the Public Library Commission, and other officials, and her finding was that the Oakalla library service was "outstanding and unique in Canada."

Mr. Morison explained yesterday that in the last two years a budget of nearly $2,000 had been provided for prison libraries, under which the commission had arranged with the Vancouver Public Library to provide a staff specially trained in institutional library work to reorganize the prison services and bring them fully up to date.

Today the men's and women's libraries at Oakalla are fully modernized. Attention has now been turned to building up an educational library for the "star" group of young offenders. These youths have also been provided with facilities to take correspondence courses of the Department of Education.

The Oakalla libraries are staffed by inmate-librarians under the direction of trained members of the Vancouver Public Library staff, who visit the institution weekly to supervise the work. Speakers are sent out periodically to discuss book reviews and subjects connected with the books available.

In all this new work the fullest co-operation has been given by Commissioner Parsons and the prison staffs. Already there has been convincing evidence of the effectiveness of the campaign. The matron of the women's jail stated that as a direct result of the library reform, there has been a 50 per cent improvement in the general tone and morale of her ward.

She finds the improved library a very real force in the daily life of the women, who now discuss books and events of the day rather than narcotics and the crimes that brought them into Oakalla.

The December report shows that the women's library contained 510 books, and the men's 821. It is conceded that this is not a very large stock, but the books are topical and attractive, and the stock is steadily growing. A book circulation of 26,604 in 1945 reflects the general interest taken by inmates in the libraries.

The outlying jails for short-term sentences—actually little more than lock-ups—have smaller libraries, but the books are readable, helpful and entertaining, and modern. Inmates of these institutions are largely illiterate Indians and the best that can be done for them is to provide good picture books.

Hitler Set-Up

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during the period when the homeland is still occupied.

"The industries essential to warfare in which experimentation in the weapons of future wars may take place and in which prototypes may be developed exist in Argentina and are controlled by Germans."

The state department listed 21 of what it called the "more notorious" spies and subversive agents in Argentina and the German firms with which they are associated.

Frequently mentioning the part played by Col. Juan Peron, former vice-president and a presidential candidate, the department noted that Peron as Minister of Labor in 1944 brought all labor unions under Government control "into one giant syndicate or state union."

"Since 1943 no Argentina union has had a free election," it declared.

The "blue book" also charged that Argentina has protected German businesses and interests along with Nazi individuals.

Two hundred schools in Argentina are either Nazi controlled or strongly influenced by the Germans, it said.

The department recounted a story of Nazi-Argentina undercover work to obtain arms from Germany and to set up an anti-United States bloc in neighboring countries. These efforts largely failed, it contended, due to United States action in co-operation with the other American countries and because of Allied victories on the battlefront.

PLAN COMMUNITY CLUB

Proposed constitution of the Cordova Bay Community Club will be voted upon at a meeting of the group tonight at 8 o'clock in McMorran's Hall. The meeting is open to all residents of the Cordova Bay area and surrounding districts.

Man Injured in Street Accident

Joseph Richmond, 946 Yates Street, was treated at Royal Jubilee Hospital last night for bruises about the head and back sustained, according to police, when he was in collision with an auto driven by Ronald W. Mitchell, 1368 Monterey Avenue, while walking on Pandora Avenue near Vancouver Street at 6.22 p.m.

$1 Saanich Lots For Overseas Veterans

Saanich municipal council decided last night to sell one dollar veterans lots to permanent force men who had seen active service provided they needed to build a home for their families.

Fifty $1 lots reserved before V-J Day for Pacific veterans, none of which have been sold, will be placed on the market for all overseas veterans, regardless of which theatre they served in, the council decided. It was reported that 23 of the 50 lots reserved for European veterans had now been sold. Total number of $1 lots remaining was 77.

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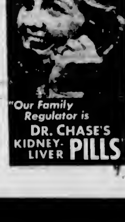

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Police Chief Asks Traffic Control Revision and Change in Parking Rules

IMPERATIVE need for drastic overhaul of parking and traffic regulations was emphasized by Police Chief J. A. McLellan, at a meeting of the police commission yesterday afternoon.

The Daily Colonist photographer did not have to go far to find why the chief made the statement.

The picture at top left show the line-up of what annoyed citizens have called Victoria's worst traffic enemy—the "double parkers." It shows a line of cars parked double on the north side of View Street between Broad and Government.

The two photographs at right were both taken within a few yards of each other. At the top is a picture taken looking east on View Street between Broad and Douglas Streets. At the bottom is another view taken looking south on Broad Street between View and Fort Streets.

Many motorists have expressed the view that the time has come to put an end to this sort of congestion by revamping present parking and traffic regulations and more stringent enforcement of existing regulations.

Victorians See Need For Traffic Changes

With announcement yesterday by Chief J. A. McLellan of plans for drastic changes in traffic and parking regulations, The Daily Colonist undertook a survey to find out what the man in the street thought about Victoria drivers and pedestrians.

[illegible] from both Victorians and visitors. Such terms as "eccentric dough-heads," "irresponsible idiots" were used by both Canadians and visitors from across the line.

Other citizens, though admitting there was much justification for such unrestrained language considered these comments unwelcome in a city which needs tourist trade.

Double parking came in for the most vehement disapproval. At the mere mention of the word some of Victoria's most noted citizens fairly frothed at the mouth. Pressed for details, they pointed out that double parking was against the law, that there were many narrow streets in the shopping district and that frequently one individual snarled up traffic for a block. While some regarded the habit as charmingly casual, the overwhelming balance placed double parking as traffic enemy No. 1.

CORNER TURNING SECOND ON LIST

The manner in which many Victorians turn corners came second on the list. It was pointed out that the lady who signals with two daintily gloved fingers thrust out the top of a partly-opened window may be quite certain as to the direction she intends to turn, but for the person following rather too much is left to the imagination. On the same subject many scored drivers who swing to the centre of the road when planning a right-hand turn, and to the curb when intending to turn to the left.

No complaints were directed against fast or reckless drivers, but the scenic driver—the man who crawls along at a snail's pace in the centre of the road, refusing to budge even with the blast of a horn, came in for some bitter thrusts.

Police efficiency in enforcing one-hour parking regulations aroused mixed comments. Perhaps with the recent memory of a $2.50 parking fine, some persons thought police could be better occupied than in placing chalk marks on tires. Others, with recollection of frequent half-hour searches for a parking space, weren't so sure.

POLICE OFFICERS ARE CRITICIZED

In no uncertain terms, several people critized police officers who faithfully hunt up offenders for exceeding parking time but ignore the city by-law requiring four-foot spacing between each car. One or two individuals claimed they had paid fines rather than try to explain they had been boxed in fore and aft by other cars.

Checking up on the justice of these claims, it was found in the 1944 police reports that only one person had been convicted for failing to observe the four-foot spacing between cars, while 948 had been convicted for parking overtime.

Unanimous support was given the suggestion that downtown Victoria is provided inadequately with parking lots.

[illegible] came [illegible] fire for indiscriminate jaywalking and crossing main intersections regardless of existing regulations prohibiting jaywalking on Douglas Street, and extension of the law to cover a greater part of the congested shopping district was advocated.

Pedestrians cracked back that motorists also frequently sneaked through on a red light and fail to observe the law requiring vehicles to come to a full stop before making a right turn against a red light and then give right of way to pedestrians.

Traffic Rules Often Broken

(Excerpts from by-law governing traffic on Victoria streets.)

Vehicles when near the right-hand curb and facing the signal may, after coming to a full stop, make a right-hand turn but in so doing shall at all times yield the right of way to pedestrians and vehicles lawfully within the intersection.

Save as herein provided, and subject to the provisions of Section 33 of this by-law, it shall be unlawful for any person in charge, control or possession of any vehicle to park said vehicle on any street within the business district, unless within 12 inches of and parallel with the curb and at a distance of not less than four feet from any other stationary vehicle (except where angle parking is permitted).

Except on streets where angle parking is allowed by this by-law, no person in charge, control or possession of any vehicle while loading or unloading merchandise or freight between the hours of 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. on any week day not a public holiday shall park said vehicle on any street unless within 12 inches of and parallel with the curb.

Vehicular and motor vehicle traffic is permitted between any of the said safety zones and the nearest curb of the street on which said safety zone is located but no person in charge of any vehicle shall allow any person to leave or enter said vehicle or allow or permit said vehicle to remain stationary when it is between any safety zone and the curb of the street.

In view of the frequent congestion of traffic in that portion of the public highway known as Douglas Street between Johnson Street and Fort Street the said portion of Douglas Street is hereby designated for the purposes of this by-law as a congested district and no pedestrian shall traverse or cross the said portion of Douglas Street in said congested district so designated at any place other than street intersections or crossings.

No person shall move any vehicle from a stationary position at the curb of any street into the line of vehicle traffic without having first signified his intention thereof by means of a suitable hand signal or by means of sounding his motor-vehicle horn immediately prior to so moving said motor vehicle.

No person shall ride, drive or propel any bicycle during the period from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise without having affixed in front thereof in a conspicuous place a well and sufficiently lighted lamp, and have attached to the rear thereof a red light or a red glass reflecting disc plainly visible from the rear.

Adjourns Suit for Recovery of Files

Suit of Percy Ross, secretary-treasurer of the Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders Union No. 2, against Gary S. Culhane, Vancouver, was adjourned until February 25 by Judge H. H. Shandley in County Court on Monday.

Ross is seeking recovery of union property valued at approximately $300, which he claims was wrongfully taken from the union offices, 902 Government Street, last August, and held at 1216 Broad Street. The property includes a filing cabinet and files containing the membership roster.

The following were also named as defendants in the case: Eric Taylor, Shand Robertson, F. H. Dyke and James Walsh.

Joseph McKenna appeared for Mr. Ross and John Stanton represented the defendant.

LONDON (CP)—A ballot among British importers recently disclosed that they are willing to import 40,000 tons of new-crop tomatoes from the Canary Islands. British wholesalers have prepared a distribution scheme to ensure a fair allocation for all parts of the country.

Five Killed, 186 Injured in Past Year As City's Traffic Accidents Increase

Traffic accident situation in Victoria is grave, Chief J. A. McLellan told members of the board of police commissioners in his annual report for 1945 at yesterday's meeting.

Attributing the increase to the worn out condition of streets and motor vehicles and an increase in the volume of traffic, he stated in his report that there had been 558 reported accidents in 1945 as against 427 the previous year.

Five persons were killed or fatally injured as against three for the previous year, while 186 were injured.

Chief McLellan recommended that nine new blinker signals be installed at various intersections and that new equipment including a sound system for pedestrian control, new police cars and radio equipment be purchased.

Two cars needing replacement have already traveled about 100,000 miles each, he said, and one of two motorcycles needed is to replace a 1936 model still in use.

Major crime of the year was the Phyllis Stroud murder case that occurred August 15 and for which Charles Kinney, a 17-year-old high school student, was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to 12 years' imprisonment, the chief said.

He praised Detectives Louis Callon and Angus Munro, Detective-Inspector John H. Rogers and City Prosecutor C. L. Harrison for their work on the case.

Statistics do not disclose a more than usually serious juvenile crime situation although there was an increase in the number of thefts of automobiles, breaking and entering and stealing.

Breaking and entering and theft of automobiles accounted for 65 of the charges divided among 56 juveniles.

The report pointed out that in order to give a true picture of the juvenile crime situation in Victoria it had to be kept in mind that out of 106 juveniles brought before the court last year, 26 of them were residents of outside municipalities or other provinces who had come into the city and committed crimes thus leaving only 80 juveniles from city homes involved.

Greater activity in the traffic department was responsible for the increase in police court convictions, Chief McLellan explained. Total convictions in 1945 were 3,977 compared with 2,934 the previous year. Of this number 2,638 were city by-law infractions, compared with 1,783 in 1944.

Fines and costs were correspondingly higher amounting to $30,958.84 compared with $26,328.74 the year before.

Mayor Lauds Plan For Improvement In City Traffic

Improvement in the control of motor and pedestrian traffic is a matter of first importance to Victoria, Mayor Percy E. George declared yesterday in complimenting Police Chief J. A. McLellan for his vision in preparing a comprehensive plan to better present conditions.

Congestion in the business section has reached serious proportions and has made action imperative, he said.

"The city has grown more than most people realize," Mayor George said. "It has passed the village stage and traffic arrangements have not kept pace with an increase in population of nearly 45 per cent since 1939.

"Introduction of a new transportation system with 60 or 70 public carriers converging in the business section will aggravate a situation already admittedly bad. The advent of new cars and the lifting of restrictions on tires and gasoline will also have an ever-growing effect," Mayor George stated.

Mayor George said he hoped to gain the support of merchants in proposals for improvement which he felt would be of benefit to all.

Overhaul Traffic

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for the parking of cars parallel to the curb, each measuring 20x7 feet, be marked off with pointed lines on the street.

Traffic Buttons: That traffic buttons on intersections be removed from centre and be replaced by four buttons—one at each side of intersection—at all places where buttons are used.

Traffic Lanes: That traffic lanes be marked on principal streets of business section. A traffic lane for pedestrians is recommended on Government Street, in line with south side of Pandora Street, with a request that an amendment be made to the by-law to enforce regulation regarding vehicular traffic lanes.

One-Way Street: That that portion of Pandora Avenue south of the grass plot situated between Quadra and Cook Streets be designated a "One-Way Street" proceeding east.

Two-Hour Parking: That two-hour parking be introduced on Belleville Street, south side, between Menzies and Government Streets.

Three-Quarter-Hour Parking: That the areas at present controlled by one-hour parking be changed to three-quarter of an hour parking (in the business section).

Hour-and-Half Parking: That the areas at present controlled by two-hour parking be changed to one and one-half hour parking (in the business section).

Left-Hand Turns: That left-hand turns be prohibited where traffic control signals are installed on Douglas Street at the following intersections: Pandora, Johnson, Yates, View and Fort Streets. To be effective during the time signals are operating, or by direction of a police officer.

Caution Signals: That flashing caution signals be installed at the following named locations: Hillside and Douglas Streets (Fountain), Quadra and Hillside, Pandora and Cook, Oak Bay Junction, Humboldt and Douglas, Five Points (Fairfield and Moss Streets), Yates and Fort Streets, Fisgard and Government Streets, with one to be attached to the traffic signal now located at Quadra Street and Pandora Avenue.

Loading Zones: That commercial loading zones, marked by fixed standards designating them as such, be made on both sides of each block of the congested business area vehicles to occupy them only while loading and unloading. Loading zones to be at: Broad Street, west side, south of Pandora Avenue; Broad Street, west side, south of Johnson Street (taxi stand to be abolished); Broad Street, west side south of Yates Street; Johnson Street, south side, opposite Tillicum Club; Broad Street, east side, opposite alley at rear of Surrey Block; Yates Street, north side, east of Broad Street; Yates Street, north side west of hydrant, near Singer Sewing Machine Store; Yates Street, south side, near Mitchell & Duncan jewelery store; View Street, north side, west of Broad Street; View Street, north side, opposite alley at rear of Scollard Block; View Street, south side, rear of Montrose Hotel (alleyway); Fort Street zone on north side near Kresge's to be lengthened to 40 feet.

Parallel Parking: That parallel parking be made compulsory on the following named streets: Fisgard Street between Store and Blanshard; Cormorant Street between Government and Blanshard; Yates Street, south side, from Langley to Government; Yates Street from Douglas to Blanshard, both sides; Douglas Street both sides between Herald and Belleville Street.

Prohibited Parking: That parking be prohibited between 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. in the following described areas: Broad Street, east side, between Broughton and View Street except for commercial vehicles whilst loading and unloading; View Street, north side between Douglas and Broad Streets.

Prohibited Areas: That the following named areas be completely prohibited for parking: Bastion Street between Government and Langley Streets (now under Sec. 19, sub-sec. 1); Langley Street, east side, between Fort and Courtney (now under Sec. 19, sub-sec. 1); Courtney Street, south side, between Government and Wharf (now under Sec. 19, sub-sec. 9).

Bus Zones: That bus loading zones be located in the following places: Douglas Street, west side, south of Yates Street; Douglas Street, west side, south of Fort Street; Yates Street, north side west of Blanshard Street; Yates Street, south side, east of Douglas Street for Lake Hill, West Saanich and Sidney buses.

Prohibited Areas: That prohibited areas be established at the following described places: Blanshard Street, east side, south of View, 20 feet; Blanshard Street, east side north of View 30 feet; Blanshard Street, west side south of View, 30 feet; Blanshard Street, west side, north of Broughton, 20 feet; Pembroke Street, east of Quadra, both sides, 30 feet; Pandora Street, south side east of Chambers Street, 75 feet; Pandora Street, north side west of Chambers Street, 30 feet; Pandora Street, south lane between Quadra and Cook north side; also 30 feet of south side of north lane east of Quadra Street.

Urges Organize Cancer Groups

Value of organizing local units of the Canadian Cancer Society in each city across Canada was emphasized by Mrs. Jean E. Pierce, national secretary of the Dominion body, in an address before a large gathering in the City Hall last night.

The organizational structure of the Canadian Cancer Society was outlined by Mrs. Pierce. The main unit is located in Toronto and provincial and local units are maintained in most of the provinces and cities of Canada.

Mrs. Pierce is at present making a tour of Canada to organize local units in cities yet not affiliated with the society, she told the meeting. It is hoped that all organization details will be completed before the commencement in April of a drive for funds to carry on the work of the group.

Research and education are the principal objectives of the society, Mrs. Pierce stated and funds for the furtherance of these objectives are now urgently needed. The Dominion-wide drive has been timed to coincide with a similar drive in the United States.

A preliminary committee has been set up in Victoria to draw up an organization along the lines proposed by Mrs. Pierce.

Gyros Hear About Members' Business

Gyros were regaled at their luncheon this week with humorous talks by members. Earl Eby described postwar efforts in the contracting field. George Gregory dealt with the legal profession. P. "Pip" Holmes dealt with the mortgage business, Jeff Joyce with gasoline, and Fred McLeod with auto sales.

Arrangements for a Gyro Club dance at the Yacht Club March 15 were detailed by Pat Dunn. His committee members are Alan Butchart, Len Acres, John Cox, Douglas Patterson, Douglas Hunter and Charles Powell.

A progress report on preparations for "H.M.S. Pinafore" to be presented by the club May 24 and 25 was given by Jack Mercer.

H. Henderson, president, welcomed two transferred members, B. Nicholson, Penticton, and Fred English, Trail.

Indoor Circus, Victoria High School, March 1 and 2.

Traffic Congestions in Business Area Serious

Snarled traffic on Douglas Street has reached a new high during the recent busy shopping periods and brought to the fore the need for drastic revision of Victoria's downtown traffic pattern, a survey of vehicular traffic in the city indicates.

Eight of nine street-car lines, all Blue Line bus routes and 11 of 12 Vancouver Island Coach Lines routes either pass or turn at the corner of Douglas and Yates Streets, and spill out passengers by the hundred. During the Christmas period there was such a congestion that the resources of city police and an outdated traffic signal system were helpless to combat it.

That traffic in the shopping district needs remedial planning is the almost unanimous opinion of the man on the street. Here are some of the opinions and suggestions found by a brief Daily Colonist survey.

Convergence at nearly every public carrier at one downtown point is neither necessary nor desirable. In any plan for unified Greater Victoria transportation, wider distribution of routes over the whole shopping district should be paramount, and until an amalgamated system is worked out, consideration should be given to rerouting present lines.

AMBER WARNING LIGHT NEED INDICATED

Increasing population and vehicular traffic call for modern traffic lights with an amber warning light indicating a change of signals. Motorists approaching an intersection on a green light are reluctant to risk a skid when the signal changes without warning to red. Some display a natural tendency to give themselves the benefit of the doubt and slide through.

Meanwhile, the wary pedestrian makes the wise assumption that there is a "slider-through" in every line of cars and, regardless of a green light, waits timorously to see the traffic firmly halted.

Thus, late in getting started, he finds himself undefended in the middle of the crossing while the signals have again changed. He must scurry for his life to the nearest curb. For the aged and infirm and for the late starters it is a hazardous business.

Amber warning lights would give both pedestrian and motorist a better break.

By many Victorians street cars are regarded as a menace to life and limb. Stopping to unload, they sometimes start off again on a green light which immediately changes to red. Quite legally they carry on while in the cross-traffic motorists and pedestrians alike scramble to evade them.

An amber warning light would help to eliminate this hazard.

Traffic buttons in the centre of downtown intersections are a pet grudge with motorists. Two cars approaching from opposite directions, and both desiring to turn left, are required to go outside the buttons. Unless timing is perfect one car has to stop snarling up the traffic behind. Elimination of this nuisance or turning inside of it would speed up traffic.

More lights are needed. Main points suggested were on Government Street at the intersections of Fort, View and Yates Streets and at Oak Bay Junction.

Parking is permitted too close to intersections, obstructing the view at corners, particularly on streets where angle parking is allowed.

Stricter observance of existing traffic light signals by both motorist and pedestrians and a more stringent check of jay-walkers by police were suggested as immediate measures for improvement of a situation which calls for more extensive municipal planning.

38 Veterans Will Aid Tree Planting

Reforestation projects at Jordan River have absorbed thirty-eight ex-servicemen, C. A. Mudge, manager of the National Employment Service here, reported yesterday. The men will leave for their new jobs this morning.

Offered by the Provincial Forest Branch, the work may last from six weeks to two months. The workers will receive 60 cents an hour and will live in camps where they will be charged $1 a day for room and board.

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External Credits

Canada is setting a considerable pace with the granting of external loans to other nations, to assist them to trade in the Dominion. What is the extent of the whole program? Will it be $2,000,000,000, or less, or more? Already there have been sizable loans extended to France, Chile, China and The Netherlands that one can remember, while as much as fifteen hundred million dollars is being mentioned as the possible ultimate loan to the United Kingdom, where the heart is also engaged. Meantime, it cannot be forgotten that Canada's obligations under the Bretton Woods pact alone may be somewhere in the order of $900,000,000, with contingencies.

The question has to do more with the pace than with the object of these credits. What is the limit that Canada can safely afford, even in the interests of helping the world to resume its trade? A thousand million dollars, by comparison, is two and a half times the normal prewar budget in Canada. It was the war that boosted us into the billions, and those billions have to come in the last analysis from the taxpayers. No one denies the need of Canada playing her fair part in the reconstruction of the world, and toward the resumption of world trade. On the other hand, a nation of twelve million people has not inexhaustible resources in cash, credit or income.

The Dominion would do well to take the public more fully into its confidence and set out what the future program is likely to be. How many external loans are proposed, to whom, and for what amounts? How will the use of these resources bear on internal policies, and the amount of money that the Dominion will have available for national projects at home? Correlation and integration of external and domestic requirements cannot be ignored, nor do we imply that they have been. At the same time only piecemeal explanations have been given. What is the total program, and how will it work?

Daylight Saving

The year is rolling around again to longer days and briefer nights than Winter brings. In a few months there will be daylight at morning and evening beyond what is used, and the perennial question will arise as to daylight saving. There, the United Kingdom has set an example to the world. Great Britain has not gone off daylight saving in season since the Great War. It is imposed nationally and by calendar when there is some real advantage to be gained by moving the clock ahead. The wartime two-hour advance may have gone, but daylight saving will be used in the Motherland again this year. How about Canada?

It is of importance in this land, with rail and flying services, that national agreement be reached on the point if that is possible, and it should be possible. Failing that, there should be at least regional concurrence, whereby areas closely related in their life and business will observe the same arrangement. To the great majority of people, daylight saving has brought some gain; and noticeably so to those who are cooped up in the cities throughout their working day. The farmers dislike the device; but as a group they are less wedded to the clock than any other in the community. It is the urban dweller whose time is measured out by the minute and second.

Here in the West, daylight saving has brought considerable advantage, not only in the working day but also in the free time that precedes and follows that. It would be a pity to see lapse a system which found a good many people in firm concurrence on its benefits, and one which made leisure time in daylight possible for tens of thousands of people otherwise denied this privilege. At the same time, uniformity is essential in the matter. If Canada will not resume daylight saving as a national measure, then the West ought to reach an agreement on its own.

Victoria Cross Chaplain

An endless variety of circumstances have gone into the making of Victoria Cross winners. The record reveals a saga of courage displayed in many different ways, alike only in the complete disregard shown for personal danger. Even among that valorous assemblage, however, there must be a special niche for the quiet, self-effacing heroism that has brought further honor to Canada in the award of the Empire's highest distinction to Major John Foote, the Ontario chaplain who "stayed behind at Dieppe."

This country thrilled that tragic day in August, 1942, to the story of the Canadian soldiers who stormed ashore at Dieppe in the face of terrible odds. It was a holocaust redeemed only by the shining valor of those who took part, and outstanding was the tale of the unknown padre who refused sanctuary in the last returning boat in order to go back to those left on the beaches. He chose captivity so that he might continue to serve the men he had voluntarily accompanied in that epic raid.

"Padre X," as he was called, became a legend, and his identity was disclosed only recently. The full story of his heroism is told for the first time in the announcement of the award of the Victoria Cross. As a chaplain, Major Foote was not called on to go to Dieppe. It was at his own insistence he was permitted to take part as a stretcher bearer, and he landed with his regiment, the Royal Hamilton Light Infantry. For the nine hours of the raid he spent himself in devotion to the wounded and dying, carrying many of them to safety at risk to himself.

The citation puts it briefly but eloquently: "On these occasions Foote, with utter disregard to his personal safety, exposed himself to an inferno of fire and saved many lives by his gallant efforts." His commanding officer, also taken prisoner, says that "no one will ever know and I can't tell you what John Foote meant to me and the regiment."

Typical of the quiet sacrifice that chose Nazi abuses rather than freedom because, "I am needed more than ever back there," the V.C. padre regards his award as a tribute to the chaplain service and not merely to himself. He is the fifth chaplain to win the Victoria Cross, all in the tradition of service to wounded men. Four British Army padres were his predecessors, one in the Afghanistan campaign of 1880, and three in the Great War.

The valor that has resulted in Major Foote being the thirteenth Canadian to win the Victoria Cross in the World War proves this Presbyterian minister to be a gallant Christian gentleman, one who took with him into the battlefield the spirit of devoted service inherent to the cloth he wears. He wears it now with added distinction, and also with the respect and homage of his fellow-Canadians.

The Last Lap

As the week opened, $23,000 of the $40,000 needed to complete the funds for the new Maternity Pavilion at the Royal Jubilee Hospital had been subscribed. That leaves a balance which should be found without too much difficulty. It will be raised if each citizen who has not already taken part in the campaign will now do so, according to his means. A number of people in the Greater Victoria area subscribed in the first drive, last Spring. Many of these are giving again in the present appeal, which has the same purpose—to complete the funds so that the building can be equipped and furnished without loss of time. Hundreds of thousands of dollars raised for the fund—some by Provincial and some by civic grant—need to be capped by the small balance that is outstanding. Yesterday it was approximately $20,000. Who will help in the last lap?

Identification

Even a person who would object strenuously if fingerprinting were to be applied to him personally would no doubt concede the value of this method of identification. It is one of those measures to which people are wont to subscribe in general but dissent from in particular. Probably its association with crime, for it is as a police weapon that it has gained world-wide prominence and application, is what deters the average individual from having the marks of his fingertips placed on record. There is as yet an inhibition against being labelled in this fashion.

As to its practical value, the criminal field aside, there is statistical evidence in its favor. As Detective David Donaldson of the Victoria Police told a service club recently, some 40,000 persons were buried unidentified in the United States last year, a figure that would be reduced materially if fingerprinting were universal. As a plainclothes officer Detective Donaldson naturally discussed the subject from its importance in solving crimes, but he also pointed to its potential value in civic life generally. Fingerprints, it will be conceded, are as near to being foolproof as possible.

Although principally a twentieth century development, the use of fingerprints as a system of identification is of ancient origin. In the Orient in the earliest days the impression of his thumb was the monarch's sign manual, and a relic of this practice is still preserved in the formal confirmation of a legal document as one's "act and deed." Such respectability notwithstanding, the associations of modern fingerprinting are as yet too unsavory for acceptance of the system to become general. While admitting the principle, the average man is likely to prefer to keep his hands inviolate from its application. Babies are toe-printed, but then they cannot help themselves.

The Soldier

If I should die, think only this of me:
That there's some corner of a foreign field
That is for ever England. There shall be
In that rich earth a richer dust concealed;
A dust whom England bore, shaped, made aware,
Gave, once, her flowers to love, her ways to roam,
A body of England's, breathing English air,
Washed by the rivers, blest by suns of home.

And think, this heart, all evil shed away,
A pulse in the eternal mind, no less
Gives somewhere back the thoughts of England given;
Her sights and sounds; dreams happy as her day;
And laughter, learnt of friends; and gentleness,
In hearts at peace, under an English heaven.

—RUPERT BROOKE.

Peace and be wise: no gods love idle speech.
—SWINBURNE.

Bravery never goes out of fashion.
—THACKERAY.

The Third Column

By TOM TAYLOR

STRANGE ATTACK

Paul Robeson's attack on Ernest Bevin the other night must be the strangest encore that even this versatile singer has staged after a successful concert. So strange it should not pass unnoticed.

The English labor leader has apparently annoyed Mr. Robeson. The negro baritone says he is betraying his own class and predicts that the British people will catch up with him.

Mr. Robeson must be falling behind in his current history. The British people caught up with Mr. Bevin last Summer—and put him where he is today. Many persons of other lands and other parties are beginning to thank Providence they did.

It is doubtful if college-bred Mr. Robeson knows anything about the class from which sprang the teamster who is now Britain's Foreign Secretary. If he did he would not be so foolish as to accuse Mr. Bevin of going back on his birthright.

PECULIAR THING

The American singer was addressing local executives of Canadian-Soviet Friendship when he made his remarks, which possibly accounts for the nature of them.

It is a peculiar thing, but there is mounting evidence some proponents of Russian friendship on this continent seem to find it necessary to attack Britain in order to further their aims. Mr. Robeson's sympathies for the Soviet regime are well known. It gave asylum to his schoolboy son, enabling him to escape the racial prejudices of his own country.

This is neither Russia nor the United States, however. This is Canada, which happens to be copartner of the same Commonwealth as Great Britain. You would think good taste alone might persuade foreign artists to observe ordinary amenities.

The inconsistency of attempting to disrupt one friendship in advocating another never seems to strike North American apologists for Soviet Russia. It is becoming increasingly clear, in fact, that this aspect is deliberately ignored.

TARGET FOR ABUSE

Ever since Ernest Bevin made it plain he was no Moscow echo, Britain has been the target for innuendo and abuse. The country which never yet has been anything but deplorably unready for warlike action is constantly pictured as the big bad wolf of international security. Another inconsistency conveniently overlooked.

The truth is, of course, that the advent of the Labor party to power in the United Kingdom was expected to make that country amenable to the whims of Moscow. When the opposite turned out to be the case, and the British Labor Government was found to have a mind and will of its own, some who favor Russian dominance everywhere felt themselves betrayed.

By some perversion of thought they became like a woman scorned, and immediately turned their propaganda weapons on the cause of their discomfiture. Nothing now is too harsh to be said about the foreign policy expounded and defended so doughtily by Ernest Bevin.

"TIRED OF IT"

No wonder Mr. Bevin reached the point where he was "tired of it." Many other people, with no personal animus against Soviet Russia, are equally tired of it.

Anyone of intelligence knows that friendship between Soviet Russia and the Western democracies, Britain and the United States, is essential if the world is to avoid another war. And there is no secret about the apprehensions felt these days concerning their relations.

Are these relations best served by one-sided lack of frankness? Appeasement does not create friendship. If proof were needed recent history affords it.

Is it not better to be blunt, as Mr. Bevin has been? Friendship will be a fragile thing indeed if only one side is permitted to do the talking.

In the Western Hemisphere we are constantly being told we must learn to understand Soviet Russia. How about Russia taking time out to understand us? Must the approach to understanding always come from the one side? Friendship is not engendered on these terms.

LEANED BACKWARDS

The press of the Western democracies has been very patient. It has leaned over backwards lest it offend the susceptibilities of Moscow. When it spoke it has been on tip-toe, as it were. Yet a constant stream of tirade and accusation flows from the presses of the Russian capital—and these presses are government controlled.

The Russians are said to be realistic folk. They must realize then that this is a queer way to invite friendship and understanding. They must know you don't usually abuse someone with whom you hope to be on good terms—at least in ordinary social life you don't.

They must know that amity and accord between nations—and there is plenty of room for it right now—is a two-way proposition. No other premise can bring peaceful relations.

And Soviet apologists on this side of the Atlantic must surely realize that the cause of the country they espouse will be considered shaky if it rests primarily on attacks on the leaders of another.

Agriculture Minister On Visit to Interior

Hon. Frank Putnam, Minister of Agriculture, is in the Interior this week attending meetings in the Nelson-Creston area, his home riding. He will return to Victoria on Thursday.

"ALL AROUND THE TOWN"

Legal Views Conflict on United Nations Site

By PHELPS ADAMS
North American Newspaper Alliance

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—Substantial modification of the terms upon which the United Nations would be permitted to obtain and occupy its proposed building site in the Greenwich-Stamford area is forecast in official quarters here in the face of the grave constitutional questions raised by the opposition.

Conceding that the storm of criticism which has developed around this issue might discourage the legislatures of New York and Connecticut from assenting to the transfer of land within their borders for this purpose, legal experts here remain convinced that the Federal Government possessed all constitutional powers necessary to conclude the agreement, the objections of the states to the contrary notwithstanding.

Officials, however, expressed the view that merely as a matter of good relations it would be highly unwise to do so, and were casting about for a solution that would be acceptable to all parties so that the United Nations must be launched in its new home in an atmosphere of general good will and harmony.

Constitutional questions which have caused concern here involve two wholly separate and distinct aspects of the contemplated United Nations zone: first, the actual purchase of the land under condemnation proceedings, and, second, the cession to the United Nations of complete sovereignty over that land, assuming in both cases that the legislatures of New York and Connecticut refuse to assent to the transaction.

About the first of these questions, competent legal opinion here is that there is no doubt whatever of the Federal Government's power to seize the land without the consent of the states in question, so long as "just compensation" is made to the owners.

Opponents argue that the constitution nowhere specifically confers upon the Federal Government the right of eminent domain under which land seizures can be made, and point to the fact that the constitution clearly contemplated that no such seizures should be made without the consent of the states in which such land was located.

In support of this argument, they cite Article I, Section 8, paragraph 17, which gives to the Congress the exclusive authority "over all places purchased by the consent of the legislature of the state in which the same shall be for the erection of . . . needful buildings."

Despite this very clear implication that the consent of the state legislature is necessary to the Federal purchase of land, authorities here declare that the Supreme Court settled this exact question in the case of James vs. Dravo Contracting Company (302 United States Supreme Court, page 134) in 1937. In that case the court declared that the Federal Government could exercise its right to acquire property by condemnation "regardless of the wishes of the owners or of the wishes of the states."

Whether the Federal Government, having thus acquired the property, can then cede it to the United Nations without the consent of the states in which the land is located is a more difficult question, since it is generally conceded that the framers of the constitution, even in their unhappiest moments of misgiving and doubt, never contemplated that the United States would voluntarily surrender to any foreign nation or group of foreign nations its sovereignty over land within its borders.

Opponents argue that should the zone be ceded to the United Nations and thus become foreign territory, a foreign state will, in effect, have been created out of land belonging to the states of New York and Connecticut, and they cite Article IV, Section 3, of the constitution, which says, in part:

". . . But no new state shall be formed or erected within the jurisdiction of any other state, nor any state be formed by the junction of two or more states, or parts of states, without the consent of the legislatures of the states concerned as well as of the Congress."

The same article also says:

"The Congress shall have power to dispose of . . . the territory and other property belonging to the United States, and nothing in this constitution shall be construed as to prejudice any claims . . . of any particular state."

Legal authorities here declare that this constitutional proscription against the creation of a United Nations zone on the Greenwich-Stamford site without the consent of the legislatures of the two states involved, can be circumvented if the terms and conditions of the transfer are made the subject of a treaty between the United States and the United Nations, and if that treaty is subsequently duly ratified by the Senate.

Here they cite the last paragraph of Article VI of the constitution which declares:

"This constitution and the laws of the United States which shall be made in pursuance thereof, and all treaties made or which shall be made, under the authority of the United States, shall be the supreme law of the land, and the judges in every state shall be bound thereby, any rules in the constitution or laws of any state to the contrary notwithstanding."

It is the considered view of these legal authorities, therefore, that if the United States transfer the United Nations zone by treaty, duly ratified, this action will override all other provisions of the Federal constitution or of the state constitutions which might conflict, and that if the proposal wins the approval of the President and of the Federal Congress in this way, the approval of the states of New York and Connecticut is unnecessary.

Among the responsible officials here, however, there is no present disposition apparently to "bull it through" by brute force in this way.

Observation Car

By G.B.

There is a patient in the hospital who follows the principles of a strict vegetarian, and thus abhors meat in any form. Not long ago he awakened in the middle of the night, and found sleep impossible. "Why not try counting sheep?" a man in the next bed inquired. "Count sheep? That is the last thing ... meat. I shall try counting a field of cabbages," the vegetarian snorted. He claimed in the morning that it had induced slumber . . . After listening to several mountain music programs, I came to the conclusion that hill-billies sing by ear through the nose . . . More remedies and advice are offered for the common cold than for any other ailment. "Take a few drinks of rum, hot water and honey. Pile two extra blankets on the bed, and the cold will be gone in the morning," is an old favorite. In the instance of a very slight cold, it might work on an average of once in 10,000 cases. Liquor sometimes eases a cough, and then turns around and increases the production of choking phlegm. Others urge a sufferer to try headache tablets or some containing quinine, at regular intervals. Then there is the famous mustard bath and mustard plaster. "Tie an old sock around your neck at bedtime. My grandfather cured many a sore throat that way," is another bit of alleged sage advice. Most persons take something to relieve a cold when it is far advanced. On the other hand it is possible to sneeze, have a dry throat and other symptoms of a cold without anything more happening. Such symptoms can be caused by dust, heavy smoking, or excessively dry air. Hot, dry air in the average shop and office is ideal for the breeding of germs and the spreading of infection. Persons with coughs should have sense enough to stay away from picture shows and crowded meetings. There are drugs which relieve a cold, but so far nobody has discovered a cure.

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Tides at Victoria

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To find the depth of water on the sill of the Esquimalt Drydock at any time, add 29.6 feet to the height of high water as above given.

The porcupine's air-filled quills keep him afloat even if he should fall asleep in the water.

Letters to the Editor

No letter to the editor will be inserted except over the proper signature and address of the writer. This rule admits of no exception. No letter should exceed 200 words in length. Unsolicited correspondence cannot be returned.

SOLDIER'S BERET?

Sir,—May I make an appeal on behalf of a returned soldier?

Would the party who picked up a soldier's beret at the Gorge Hotel, Saturday evening, February 9, please return it there, and no questions will be asked. It is of no value except to the man concerned.

V. E. VIVIAN.

754 Hillside Avenue, Victoria, B.C., February 12, 1946.

POTATO SHORTAGE

Sir,—Mr. McPherson's contentions as to the B.C. Vegetable Marketing Board are debatable. The shortage of potatoes, this year or last, had nothing to do with the board, in fact they tried to increase production. Everyone in the country knows that at least half the crop was a failure, owing chiefly to climatic conditions, added to the impossibility of getting sufficient labor to cultivate and harvest them, and that hundreds of acres were never dug. Also there was an increase in demand.

There had been years of short supply before the board took over, and one year after the First Great War the price was boosted to $10 per sack, so the farmer he says was born here must have been away for a few years. Not many farmers got the $10 per sack, as the dealers usually cornered the market when supply was short, before we had a board to control.

Of course it would be very nice for your correspondent to return to the times when farmers dumped their surplus on the auction block, he would get his commission without chance of loss, but what about the farmer who saw his potatoes knocked down with a smile by the auctioneer at 50 cents to 75 cents per sack, his whole year of investment and labor lost. One year before the board took over I knew two farmers who met in Victoria, both trying to sell potatoes. The price being paid then was $8 per ton. Another year I was trying to sell potatoes. I called on a store, was told if they wanted any later on they would let me know and were paying $9 per ton. Walking out of the store I saw potatoes displayed at 90 cents per sack, that is 45 cents to me for growing, sacking hauling, etc., and 45 cents to the store for passing over the counter to the consumer.

I think it is about time the board defended itself, against unjust attacks.

We can never go back to the old "law of supply and demand." The farmer buys nothing under that law and why should he sell that way? I have been growing potatoes for 20 years and I never want to go back to the cut-throat, wasteful methods of the past.

MORRIS WILSON.

Hillbank, V.I., B.C., February 8, 1946.

Some codfish grow to a length of eight feet and a weight of 100 pounds.

LONDON (CP).—London County Council gave a Christmas party in mid-January at the County Hall for about 300 blind guests and their guides.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(From The Daily Colonist of February 13, 1921)

Coal Discovery—Considerable excitement has been created in the Huntingdon district by the discovery of a ten-foot seam of coal at a depth of 400 feet on property in the Sumas Indian reservation leased to Mr. J. C. McClure, well known as the discoverer of fire clay deposits at Clayburn and Kilgard.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

(From The Daily Colonist of February 13, 1896)

The City—The business of the Victoria Loan office, corner of Government Street and Pandora Avenue, has been handed over to Mr. Landsberg by the assignees, and will be continued as heretofore by that gentleman.

SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

(From The Daily British Colonist of February 13, 1871)

Arrival—The ship P. Dawson, 17 days from San Francisco, arrived in Royal Roads on Saturday morning consigned to Sproat & Co. She will be towed to Moody's Mills, Burrard Inlet, and there load with lumber for Bolivia.

Victoria Police Estimate For This Year $172,675

Victoria police department will cost Victoria taxpayers $172,675.89 in 1946, if estimates passed by the police commissioners yesterday are approved by the City Council on Monday. The figure represents an increase of $29,656 over last year, the bulk of the increase being due to [illegible] to the staff in December.

The police commission cut $1,300 from expenditures recommended by Chief J. A. McLellan.

Mayor Percy E. George said he realised some of the items cut out were essential to the department but considered that in view of the great demands on the city treasury this year, ordinary estimates should be cut to the minimum consistant with efficient operation.

Purchases of new equipment recommended in the estimates included two new cars, two new motorcycles, a "servi-car," one radio [illegible] signals, ten revolvers and ten pairs of handcuffs.

On a recommendation by Commissioner B. J. Gadsden, the commission decided to inquire whether a course for detectives was available from the Provincial Police. The commission recommended that if such a course was obtainable, Chief McLellan select one detective to attend.

Commissioner Gadsden stated he understood a 30-day class for detectives was starting March 4 at a cost of $1 a day for each man.

A tender of $1,464 from W. R. Menzies & Company was accepted for installation of an oil burner to heat the police station. The tender calls for installation of an oil tank outside the building and provides that the city pay the cost of removing any rock encountered in placing the tank.

Brown President Of Pacific Club

C E Brown was elected president of the Pacific Club at the annual meeting held last night. T. L. Sturgess was made vice-president.

Members of the committee are D. R. Anderson, P. W. Bell, Howard Harmon, Harold Francis, V. Meston.

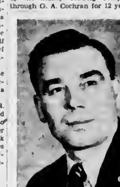
Vancouver Forecast

Light winds, increasing to strong easterly winds in afternoon. Cloudy and mild with intermittent rain, becoming continuous in evening.

Will Represent B.C.E.R., Sidney

Appointment of Frank Stenton as district representative in Sidney for the British Columbia Electric Railway Co., Ltd., was announced yesterday by W. C. Mainwaring, Victoria, vice-president of the company. Mr. Stenton will assume his new duties on February 16.

In taking over for this district, Mr. Stenton will assume, among other duties, those of collection agent for the company, originally carried out by the Sidney Trading Company through G. A. Cochran for 12 years.



FRANK STENTON

Mr Stenton's appointment marks his return to the Sidney area, which he served as a representative of the company's outside sales department a few years ago. He has a wide background of experience with the B.C. Electric, with which he has been associated for 14 years. In that time he has served with the sales department, applications department, in the city ticket office and the outside sales department.

He is a well-known Victoria cricketer, having captained the Albion Club in 1937 and 1938. During the war he was active in the organization of recreational sport for R.A.F. personnel at Patricia Bay.

With his wife and two sons he will make his permanent residence in Sidney.

Robinson Heads Credit Granters

Retail Credit Granters' Association of Victoria elected George W. Robinson president at its annual luncheon meeting in Spencer's dining-room yesterday.

L. W. Cox, Geoffrey Ellis, W J. Fletcher, G. A A Hebden, R M Lochhead, P R Noel, C. L Smith and R. F. Whellams were elected directors of the group and H B Dawson was re-elected secretary.

"The main issue for the coming year should be one of education in credit," L. F. Evenden, past president of the association, said.

Increased membership and the ever-increasing importance of credit control made an enlarged program of instruction not only necessary but a duty of the association, the speaker pointed out.

A hint that some changes in the present set-up of credit control may be contemplated was seen in the remarks of Mr. Evenden that "the postwar committee will be an important one this year should there be any change." The solution and control of some of the problems that may arise will require the cooperation of all association members, he said.

An increase of 30 members, making a total of 250, was reported by L. W. Cox, chairman of the membership committee. Applications for membership are in some cases being made without solicitation, the chairman's report disclosed.

R. M. Lochhead, chairman of the educational committee, outlined plans for an early start in arranging [illegible] gram in Victoria high schools and inclusion of more material and detail on retail credit in actual practice.

Circularizing of service clubs, business organizations, community clubs and parent-teacher organizations was recommended by Mr. Lochhead.

The report of the program committee was presented by P. R Noel, chairman.

McKelvie's Book Tells of Indians

Historical records of aboriginal residents of the British Columbia coast are set out by B. A. McKelvie, Victoria and Cobble Hill, in his newest book, "Maquinna the Magnificent."

His story centres about the famous Maquinna, but goes much further into history. He describes the avid interest in this area taken by Spaniards, British, Americans and Russians, and deals with Maquinna's dealings with them.

The book was published by Southam Press, Montreal, for The Vancouver Daily Province, for whom Mr McKelvie is a representative here.

Andrew Paull Te Quilthetahl, head of the North American Indian Brotherhood in, a foreword states Mr. McKelvie "has humanized the records" but "has not departed from historical accuracy."

Chinese Reports Being Threatened

Johnny Wong, Chinese resident at 624 Fisgard Street, reported to city police that two Indians threatened him with a knife at 4.05 yesterday morning at Government and Cormorant Streets. Police searched the area. Two men brought to the station later were released after being questioned.

Britain Owes World Twice as Much as Germany Could Pay

OTTAWA, Feb. 12 (CP).—Britain has come out of the war owing the world almost twice as much as the Allied nations expect to collect from Germany in war reparations, Sir Wilfrid Eady, head of a British delegation negotiating for a loan from Canada, said today at a press conference.

Meeting newspapermen before continuing with Canadian officials the loan talks which began yesterday, Sir Wilfrid said if the British loan from the United States is approved the United Kingdom will face external liabilities of more than $19,000,000,000, compared with $2,000,000,000 in 1939. It was estimated the most the Allies could collect from Germany in the way of reparations was about $10,000,000,000.

While Sir Wilfrid was giving the press conference these figures, Finance Minister Ilsley announced Canada has extended another $100,000,000 credit to The Netherlands for the purchase of Canadian goods and foodstuffs, in addition to $25,000,000 loaned under an agreement signed last year. Last Friday, Mr. Ilsley announced the extension of a $60,000,000 credit to China for purchases in Canada.

Sir Wilfrid said he could not disclose how much Britain wants from Canada or how much she expects to get. He indicated that $1,500,000,000 would not cover Britain's current account liabilities during the next three years even when coupled with the more than $4,000,000,000 loan from the United States.

The money borrowed from the United States and Canada would be used exclusively in rectifying Britain's external position and none of it would be used for the carrying out of nationalization or other internal Government policies.

The task facing Britain is to reconvert her industries and to start again the flow of exports needed to provide foreign revenue. This was no easy task, said Sir Wilfrid. Labor was needed to rebuild or repair the 4,000,000 houses destroyed or damaged during the blitz. In addition there was some $3,500,000,000 worth of work on industrial plants that had been postponed during the war.

Merchant shipping, reduced by half by war losses, now was about three-quarters of the world strength.

Internally, Britain was strong because of wartime controls and heavy taxes. However, the people were beginning to find the controls burdensome and were looking for some relief.

Commend Mayor's Shipbuilding View

Mayor Percy E. George last night was commended for his stand in urging that the shipbuilding industry be continued in British Columbia.

An expression of appreciation will be mailed to the Mayor by the Boilermakers' and Iron Shipbuilders' Union, Local No 2, which met last night at the Boilermakers' Hall, 1116 Broad Street.

Mayor George was informed yesterday by Prime Minister Mackenzie King that steps would be taken to have Canadian ships built in Canadian yards. This communication was in answer to a letter sent by the Mayor last month in which he urged that "every consideration be given to having contracts for C.P.R. ships given to the Canadian shipyards."

G. S. Culhane, executive member of the Shipyard General Workers' Federation, has also thanked Mayor George for his stand on the issue.

Officials of the Boilermakers' Union said last night: "It is our intention to continue efforts to bring about further contracts for new ships here. We intend to mobilize public opinion and ultimately hold a mass meeting of Victoria citizens and organizations."

Veteran Mariner Is Buried Here

Veteran mariner of the British Columbia coast and a seaman since his 17th birthday, J. W (Johnnie) King, was buried in Ross Bay Cemetery yesterday. He died in Vancouver last week.

Mr. King was born in Newhaven, Scotland, and when 17 years of age worked his passage to London aboard a coastal vessel. He reached the British Columbia coast in 1903 [illegible] the C.P.R. and the C.N.R. He retired in 1938 from a position as shore steward for the C.N.R.

The veteran mariner is survived by a son, J. W. King, 445 Quebec Street; a daughter, Mrs. Robert Armstrong, 2645 Bowker Avenue; three grandchildren, one great grandchild and five sisters.

Alfred Worthington Heads Youth Group

Alfred Worthington was elected president of the Victoria Youth Action Committee at a meeting in the Y.W.C.A. It is his second consecutive term in that office.

Other officers elected were Alan Hickman, vice-president; Joy Fisher, secretary, Mollie Kayll, treasurer; Stanley Walters, publicity director; Lawrence Huck, membership director, and Mavis Pomeroy and Albert Davies, social directors. Each officer was elected for a six-month period.

Six members of the committee will journey to Vancouver this week-end to make a first hand study of recreational facilities afforded youth of that city. They are Alfred Worthington, Alan Hickman, Stanley Walters, Albert Davies, Bruce Baines and Frank Martin.

Next meeting of the organization will be held at the Y.W.C.A. February 16, starting at 6 p.m. Youths between the ages of 16 and 24 are invited to attend.

Indoor Circus, Victoria High School March 1 and 2.

Government Will Seek Farm Aid for Pemberton Valley

Dominion Government assistance under the Prairie Farms Rehabilitation Act will be sought for reclamation work in the Pemberton Valley, to protect valuable lands from serious damage by flooding and erosion, the Provincial Cabinet decided yesterday.

Benefits of the P.F.R.A. have never been extended west of the Rockies. Much useful work has been done under the act in the Prairie Provinces, and the British Columbia Government and farmers' organizations have long been pressing to have the act applied to this province.

Assistance for the Pemberton farmers will be a specific request, Premier Hart said yesterday.

Fighting a losing battle against flooding and erosion of their land by the Lillooet River, farmers of Pemberton Valley sent a three-man delegation to the Cabinet to urge the Government to undertake the $473,000 reclamation project recommended by D. J. McGugan in his report on the Pemberton Valley to the Government last year.

The valley is on the Pacific Great Eastern line, 50 miles from Squamish. The area affected contains 30,000 acres—of which the province owns 13,000—of rich agricultural land that produces some of the finest seed potatoes in the world.

The delegation represented 150 settlers whose farms are threatened with extinction—all that remain of an original 300 in the area. Since 1913 the settlers have been pleading for protective works to save their land from the flooding that is ruining it for agriculture.

Remedies recommended in the McGugan report, which the farmers are asking the province to implement, are:

1. That Lillooet Lake be lowered by provision of an outlet to nearby Tenasse Lake;

2. Diversion of Green River and other dykes and drainage works.

Costs of reclamation works, spread over three areas, would be $355,756 for the 2,706-acre area between Lillooet Lake and Green River; $55,613 for a 2,000-acre area south and west of the Lillooet River, and $62,115 for the 2,120-acre area west of the Lillooet River and including the rich and most thickly populated Pemberton Meadows.

The delegation included John Decker, M Miller and R. Taylor. Mr. Decker was twice winner of the world's highest award for seed potatoes in the Chicago Fair and twice won the Canadian championship at Toronto.

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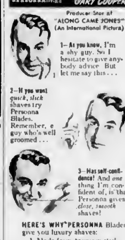
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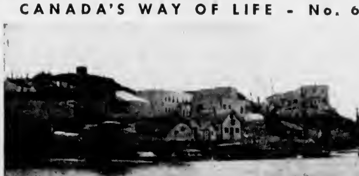
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Gonzales Chapter I.O.D.E. Raise $6,258 in Six Years

The highly successful record of the Gonzales Chapter, I.O.D.E. during six years of war was exemplified yesterday at the annual meeting by Mrs. Curtis Sampson, war service convener, when she announced that 6,383 articles to the value of $6,258 had been sent away by the chapter since 1939. The annual meeting, [illegible] regent, Mrs. W. C. Nichol, was held at the home of Mrs. Curtis Sampson, "Molton Combe," Newport Avenue.

Outstanding report of the afternoon, Mrs. Sampson dealt with the many interests of the chapter and stated that $903 had been expended during the year; $445 had gone into articles for the services, $284 into articles for bombed areas in Great Britain, and $73 on articles sent to the chapter's adopted ship, H.M.C.S. Uganda.

Special mention was made of Mrs. B W. Pearse, oldest member of the Gonzales Chapter, who had knitted 70 pairs of socks since April, 1941.

The war services convener, who was re-elected postwar services convener, spoke of the work of members in making naval cloth helmets and mellor mitts, salvage work at the Churchill Hotel where 915 bundles were packed for salvage and for the forces, and of the making up of personal property and nursery bags. Each personal property bag contained 23 articles and many letters of thanks were read from overseas.

H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth had been the recipient of one of these personal property bags when she was taking A.T.S. training and she sent special thanks.

The educational branch of the chapter, as well as donating and selling calendars, had given $100 to the Municipal Secondary Educational Fund, $25 to the Municipal College Bursary Fund, and presented several books to Monterey Avenue School.

Mrs. G S Scott, treasurer, stated in her report that receipts for the year had totaled $1,086, while $1,025 had been disbursed. Donations were made to library funds, Girl Guides, Sea Cadets, Queen Alexandra Solarium, Navy League, Jubilee Hospital library, work in India, Jessie Burke Memorial Fund.

Mrs. J D Kay, secretary, said that there were 86 members on the roll and welcomed three new members, Lady Squires, Mrs. M E Warren and Mrs. A. L. Beard.

Other reports were given by: Mrs. Rosita Robertson, ex-service personnel convener; Miss A. Beatrice Cooke, educational secretary; Miss W. N Ferris, Echoes convener; Mrs E. W. Weir, W.P.T.B. representative; Miss Marian H. Pitts, hospital library; Mrs. W. R. Hobbs, film convener; Mrs. Constance L. Tyrwhitt-Drake, work in India; Mrs. Ethel Davis, child and family welfare, and Mrs C K Matthews, [illegible].

MISS M. H. PITTS ELECTED REGENT

Miss Marion H. Pitts was elected regent by acclamation.

Others officers elected were: Mrs W. R. Hobbs, first vice-recent, Mrs. J. N. Hatch, second vice-president, Mrs. Curtis Sampson, postwar services convener; Mrs. J. D. Kay, secretary; Miss A S. Cooke, educational secretary; Mrs. G. R. Scott, treasurer, Miss W N. Ferris, and Mrs. M Warren, standard-bearer. Seven councillors were elected. Mrs. W. Bell, Mrs. W. L. Young, Mrs. Stuart Robertson, Miss Olive Heisterman, Miss Finch Page, Mrs. Sybil Rogers and Mrs. R. W. Shannon.

Special guests were Mrs. A. H C. Phipps, Municipal regent, and Mrs F. E. Dowdall, Municipal war services convener.

Mrs. Walter C. Nichol, retiring regent, was high in her praise of the chapter's efforts during the past year, and expressed pleasure in working with members during the past six years when she had headed the chapter. War-torn England, she said, would be the chief recipient of the chapter's efforts for the coming year, and work of helping to re-establish returned sailors, soldiers and veterans.

"We must do our best," she stated, "to raise the necessary funds for the new war memorial in inaugurating scholarships and bursaries to help the sons and daughters of the men who fell in this war.

Will Spend Two Weeks in Victoria

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Mrs. W. D. Nelson, Montreal, pictured above, is the charming guest of Dr. and Mrs. William E. Baker, 3530 Midland Road, Uplands. Active in Junior League and Red Cross work in Montreal, Mrs. Nelson is here on her way back East from California. She will spend two weeks in Victoria.

Social and Personal

Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. W C. Woodward will return to Government House this morning from Vancouver.

Lieut. (N.S.) E K Meagher has left to visit her sister, Mrs. J. A McNeff in Port Alberni.

Mrs. J. Bennett and Mrs. R. Roth, of Vancouver, have been spending a few days in Victoria, guests of the former's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Bowker, Oak Bay.

Miss Betty Marshall, of Victoria, spent the week-end in Vancouver where she was a guest of Miss Cecile Swanson.

Mr and Mrs. J. Brooks, of Midland, Ontario, are spending a holiday in Victoria and are staying at 117 McClure Street.

Colonel and Mrs. J K Cornwall have returned to their home "The Oaks," Oak Bay Avenue, after a holiday in Seattle.

A daughter was born on February 9 to Mr. and Mrs. John Cassilis Cowans, of Montreal. Mrs. Cowans is the former Miss Betty Stewart, of Victoria.

Captain Richard B. George, R.C.A.P.C., and Mrs. George, who have been spending a few days in Vancouver, returned to their home yesterday. Captain George has just arrived from overseas.

Out of town guests at the Slater-Pettigrew wedding were Mr and Mrs. Elmer Slater, Gaulon, Man., Mr. and Mrs Stan Slater, Sunny Beach, B.C., relatives of the groom; Mr and Mrs. A J. Lowe, Minstrel Island, B.C.

Mr and Mrs E. Wilkinson, 101 Maddock Avenue, have as their guest N.S Mollie K. Hardy, Q.A.I.M.N.S.-R., a graduate of St. Joseph's Hospital, who recently returned from two and a half years overseas where she served as a British Army Sister in England and India.

P.-T. Associations

Happy Valley P-T.A will hold a Valentine tea, Thursday from 3 to 5 p.m. in Luxton Hall. Miss McConnell, R.N., will be guest speaker.

Tolmie P-T.A will sponsor a Valentine fancy dress party to be held in St Mark's Hall, Friday, from 7 to 9 30 p.m. There will be prizes for the best Valentine, national, comic, original and special costumes.

Craigflower P-T.A met in the school, Monday night. A separate school accident fund was discussed and acted upon. Mrs. Wing gave an interesting talk on the B.C. Electric's home service department and the electric appliances that we can expect in the future. Mr. Casey, counsellor for West Saanich, showed a film on the origin of Victoria's electric power, from the dam to the house. The Parent-Teachers' concert was announced. All members who are able are urged to attend at the Chamber of Commerce Hall, February 15. There will be a card party in the school on February 18.

Oaklands P-T.A. sewing group will meet at the home of Mrs R H McInnes, 1525 Morrison Street, on Thursday at 2 p.m.

Red Cross Notes

Prospect Lake Unit of the Red Cross Society will hold a silver tea at the home of Mrs. Thomson, Tuesday, from 2.30 to 4 30 p.m.

"Finlandia" Will Be Presented Feb. 18

A tone-poem in the truest meaning of the term is the Sibelius "Finlandia," which will be played by the Victoria Symphony Orchestra at its forthcoming concert, Monday, February 18.

Tone-poem is a term which is applied to a composition having no set form, but purely suggestive of a mood or sentiment. In "Finlandia" we find both mood and sentiment; not the mood and sentiment of an individual, but of a whole people at a highly emotional moment in their history.

In 1899 Finland was under the rule of Imperial Russia, who, aware of the growing restless spirit among the Finns, without warning issued the famous "February manifesto" crushing the legislative powers of the Finnish Diet, and in an attack on free speech, closed one after another of the best Finnish newspapers. As a token resistance to these tyrannical actions, the Finns organized a series of concerts, the proceeds to go to a press pension fund. Sibelius the patriot, roused to fever heat, composed an orchestral suite especially for these concerts, entitled "Finland Awakes." The finale of this suite in a revised form is now world famous as "Finlandia."

"Finlandia" is not, nor has it been derived from, folk music. It is the voice and the spirit of the Finnish people vividly expressed in original music by a composer whose music achieves grandeur as his soul achieves heroism.

Elected Regent of I.O.D.E. Chapter

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Mrs. G. E. Warner, Pictured Above, Was Recently Elected Regent of Sir Matthew Baillie Begbie Chapter, I.O.D.E., at the Annual Meeting Held at the Wishbone

Pearce, Mrs F Wrigley, Mrs. L. Pocock, Mrs. E Chamberlain, Mrs S Crook, Mrs R Livesey, Mrs. S Emery, Mrs. E Bennett, Mrs. D. Morgan, Mrs M Coldwell, Mrs. A. Mark, Mrs. G. Simpson, Mrs. G.

Realize $151 at Linen Shower

A delightful musical program was presented during the tea hour at the annual linen shower held in the members' lounge of the Y.M.C.A Tuesday afternoon. The affair was arranged by the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Y.M.C.A. and 85 pieces of linen were received and $151.65 was received at the door. Mrs Walter Walker received the guests.

The lace-covered tea table was centred with a lovely [illegible] daffodils, antirrhinums and cherry blossom, flanked by yellow tapers in tall crystal holders. Mrs. Herbert Anscomb, Mrs. Frank Putnam, Mrs Norman Whittaker and Mrs. E. F Kenney presided at the tea urns. Those assisting in serving were Mrs Fred Fisher, tea convener, and Mrs. W. Martin, Mrs A Dixon, Mrs. F. Paulding, Mrs S. Winterbottom, Mrs. Carruthers, Mrs. J Johnson, Mrs. S. J Clack, Mrs G. Duncan, Mrs. J. Barroclough and Mrs. J Dickson.

The music was arranged by Mrs R. D. McCaw and those taking part were Lorraine Cornish, Arden Myers and June Bregoliss, piano solos. Edna Mae McGiness and Terry Shaw, violin soloists, were accompanied by Lorraine Cornish and [illegible] performed several whistling solos.

Mrs. W C. Wells and Mrs. A Johnston were in charge of the linen table, and Mrs. George Brown and Mrs. Fred Parfitt received the donations. Mrs. Donald McAdie and Mrs Victor Clarke were in charge of the floral arrangements.

For Brides-Elect

Miss Joan Glendinning, Epsworth Street, entertained Friday evening with a miscellaneous shower in honor of Miss Joan Noble, a February bride-elect. Those present were: Mrs. G Noble, Mrs F Glendinning, Mrs K Ulrich, Mrs. P. Dunn, Mrs G Sinclair, Mrs. S Ford, Mrs. J Lambert, Mrs E. Reynolds, Mrs J. Dallimore and the Misses Marjory Noble, Lorena Miller and Elsie Watson.

Honoring Miss Helen Todd, a bride-elect of this month, Mrs. H L. Benson, 1228 Oscar Street, assisted by her daughter, Mrs William Van Druten, entertained recently at a miscellaneous shower. The gifts for the honoree, accompanied by a floral token, were presented in a decorated tea wagon. Twenty-two guests were present.

A Spring basket decorated in yellow and green and filled with gifts was presented to Mrs. Edwin Newman (nee Mertton), a recent bride, when Mrs. A. Armstrong, 911 Nicholson Street, entertained at a miscellaneous shower. The honoree also received a corsage bouquet of red roses. The guests were Mrs. R Elwood, Mrs E W. Mertton, Mrs. G Gillespie, Mrs. R. Cartwright, Mrs. R. Stewart, Mrs. Strawford, and Misses Lil Erikson, Betty, Mary, Barbara and Pat Armstrong, Ronnie Mark and Mavis Cook. On Saturday evening Mrs. G. Gillespie, 1526 Cook Street, was hostess at an enjoyable evening of court whist and music, in honor of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Newman. Twenty-five guests were present.

Miss Corinne Young, a bride-elect of this month, was honored at a miscellaneous shower Saturday evening, given by Miss Marjorie Leno, Mount Newton Crossroad, Saanichton, and was the recipient of many lovely gifts. Those present were: Mrs. F Young, Mrs. F Leno, Mrs R Coombs, Mrs H Montague, Mrs. H Young, Margaret Mounce, Beverley Young, Laura Young, Ruth Scott, Jean Moguire, Frances MacNeil, Joan Coates and Betty Cox.

Venture Club Tea To Be Held at "Y"

The Victoria Venture Club, whose president is Miss Virginia Ross, will hold a tea at the Y.W.C.A Saturday at 3 30 p.m. Proceeds will go to the Children's Ward of the Royal Jubilee Hospital.

A varied and interesting program has been arranged by the committee which consists of Mrs. Thelma Stephenson and the Misses Millie Kerr, Florence Vincent and Jean and Marjorie Laidlaw. One of the features of entertainment will be some charming dance presentations by the talented pupils of Miss Veldo Wills.

Girl Guide Notes

First Central Brownie pack were honored recently by a visit from Miss D Illingworth, provincial commissioner, Miss M. Hannah, training chief, and Mrs. Emmerton, district commissioner. Tea was served.

Tillicum Brownie Pack celebrated its first birthday on February 11. A large birthday cake centred the table from which refreshments were served. A quilt and a cushion, made by the Brownies, was on display. Guests were members of Craigflower and Tillicum P-T.A., Tillicum Local Association, Rev. McAllister, Mrs. Midgley, Mrs. Emmerton and Mrs. Pritchard and parents. Maureen Maundrell was enrolled as a Brownie and the following received badges: Golden Bar badges, Rosalie Pearson and Marilyn Ballantyne. Golden Hand badges, Ann Nevison, Anne Snowsell, Adrienne Dawson and Jean McLaren; proficiency badges, Gail Dresser, Lorraine Baird, Anne Snowsell and Adrienne Dawson.

Nora M. Vincent-Barwood Is Bride of Ronald McCrimmon

Holy Trinity Cathedral, New Westminster, was the scene of a charming wedding Sunday, February 2, when Nora Marion, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. H Vincent-Barwood, 418 St. George Street, New Westminster, became the bride of Ronald Heathfield, younger son of Mr and Mrs. Alex McCrimmon, 1038 Rockland Avenue, Victoria. Rev Burton Thomas officiated at the pretty ceremony.

The bride, who entered the church on the arm of her father, made a lovely picture in her old-fashioned gown of white taffeta with net veil en train. She carried a bouquet of red roses and white carnations.

Matron of honor, the bride's sister, Mrs. A R. Alexander, was also gowned in white and carried a bouquet of Spring flowers.

W.O. Lesley McCrimmon, of the R.C.N.V.R., brother of the groom, was best man. Ushers were Major P. F. Ramsay, Major G. E. C. McNeill, Mr. A. Vincent-Barwood and Mr A. R. Alexander.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents. Bishop A R L Keevil offered the toast to the bride.

Following the ceremony the couple left for a honeymoon at Yellow Point Lodge. They will reside in Victoria.

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Societies

St. John's W.A. Colwood, will meet Wednesday at 2.30 p.m. at Colwood Hall.

Oak Bay Chapter, No. 42, O.E.S. will hold a Valentine tea Wednesday at 1602 Redfern Street from 2:30 to 4.30 p.m.

Primrose Lodge, No. 22, Daughters of England, met recently, with Sister B. Langley presiding. Plans for the regular meeting of the Native Daughters of British Columbia, Post No. 2, will be held at 301 Union Building, Thursday, and will take the form of a birthday party. A social will follow at 8.15 p.m.

Princess Margaret Rose Juvenile Lodge No. 86 of the Daughters of England met recently in the S.O.E. Hall, with President Audrey Latham in the chair. It was decided to hold the annual birthday banquet at Terry's, Monday at 5.30 p.m. Those wishing to attend telephone E 8417 or C 6313.

The Venture Club met February 7, with the president, Miss Virginia Ross, in the chair. Final plans were made for the Valentine tea to be held on February 18 at the Y.W.C.A. It was agreed that the club visit the children's ward of the Royal Jubilee Hospital some time in the near future. The social meeting will be held February 22 at the home of Mrs. Robert Walker, 884 Pakenham Road.

Mrs. A. J. Robert, 3156 Midland Way, The Uplands, is lending her home for a Valentine silver tea on Thursday, February 14, from 3 to 6 o'clock, being sponsored by the C.W.L. Robertson and Altar Society of Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Mrs. L. Bullock-Webster, Mrs. C. H. O'Halloran and Mrs. J. A. McGillivray will preside during the afternoon.

Nursing Sisters' Association will hold a bridge party Monday at 8 p.m. at 301 Union Building. To reserve tables phone Mrs. Stewart, E 4266.

Victoria Lodge, No. 83, Daughters of St. George, met recently in the S.O.E. Hall with Sister C. Fairservice presiding. Next meeting will be held February 20.

W.A. to Pro Patria Branch, Canadian Legion, will hold a Valentine tea and card game Thursday in the Hard-of-Hearing Hall at 2 p.m. Visitors will be welcome.

The annual meeting of the board of directors of the Y.W.C.A. will be held at 760 Courtney Street, Tuesday, February 19. Dr. Olga Jardine will be guest speaker.

I.O.D.E. Chapters

Florence Nightingale Chapter I.O.D.E. will meet at headquarters, Thursday at 3 p.m.

The annual meeting of the Major John Hebden Gillespie Chapter, I.O.D.E., will be held at the home of Mrs. J. H. Gillespie, 1968 Fairfield Road, Tuesday, February 19, at 8 p.m.

Sir Matthew Baillie Begbie Chapter I.O.D.E. will meet at headquarters, Friday at 3 p.m.

The knitting meeting of Dr. O. M. Jones Chapter, I.O.D.E., scheduled to be held Thursday at the home of Mrs. H. A. Glennie, has been cancelled.

Weddings

SLATER—PETTIGREW

At a quiet ceremony performed by Rev. W. R. Ashford at the home of the bride's parents on February 9, at 8 o'clock, Olanna Lorrent, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Pettigrew, 2842 Douglas Street, was united in marriage to Henry Arthur Slater, youngest son of the late Mrs. John Slater, Sidney, B.C. For her marriage the bride chose a floor length gown of white satin with sweet heart neckline, long pointed sleeves and full skirt. Her filmy veil was held in her head with sprays of orange blossoms. She carried a bouquet of pink and white carnations. Given away by her father, the bride was attended by her sister Miss Helen Pettigrew wearing a floor length blue sheer dress with white ribbon bandeau and carrying a bouquet of golden daffodils. The bridegroom had Mr. Norman Richards as his best man. At the reception for nearly one hundred and fifty guests Mrs. G. Cooper, sister of the groom, received with the bridal party. For a honeymoon in Vancouver and the lower Mainland the bride wore a brown ensemble with corsage bouquet of gardenias. Mr. and Mrs. Slater will make their home in Victoria.

WALSH—LE GALLAIS

A pretty wedding was solemnized in St. Mary's Chapel of the Washington Cathedral on December 22, when Elizabeth Dorothy Le Gallais, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Le Gallais, Youbou, became the bride of Mr. John Denis Walsh, son of Mrs. Ada Walsh, London, England. Canon Theodore O. Wedell officiated at the ceremony given in marriage by Mr. Hugues Le Gallais, Minister for Luxembourg. The bride was lovely in a draped gown of tourquoise crepe. She carried a bouquet of cream roses and magnolia. Miss Shirley Warner, of Santa Barbara, California, wearing a frock of fuschia crepe was maid of honor and Miss Marjorie Penn-Taylor bridesmaid, wore a lavender dress. Both carried posies of gardenias and sweet peas. Mr. Lawrence Dover was best man and Mr. Penn-Taylor acted as usher. Mr. and Mrs. Walsh left after the wedding reception by boat for Norfolk and Williamsburg, Virginia. They will make their home at 41, 4017 Forest Lane, N.W., Washington, D.C.

KASPER—CARR

On Saturday evening, February 9, a pretty wedding was solemnized by Honorary Major H. Melville at the Macaulay Chapel, Y.M.C.A., when Pte. Beulah E. Carr, C.W.A.C., only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Carr, 730 Kingston Street, Victoria, became the bride of Odom H. Kasper, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Kasper, Bodowatin, Man. Given in marriage by her father the bride wore Winter dress uniform and a corsage of red roses and orchids. Pte. Stella Pickhall, C.W.A.C. of Kerwatin, Ont., was also in uniform and wore a corsage of red and white carnations. The groom was supported by L.-Cpl. Eric Pickhall, R.C.E. Following the wedding ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. W. Glassford, 134 Croft Street. Mr. J. Donaldson proposed the toast to the bride and groom.

The couple will spend a honeymoon Up-Island and on their return will resume duties at their respective stations.

BELLAS—ALLEN

A pretty home wedding took place Saturday evening when Miss Alma Allen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Allen, of Dauphin, Manitoba, became the bride of Mr. Joseph Nicolas Bellas, of Port Alberni. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Menzies against a background of palms and daffodils at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Annastasia, 2325 Trent Street. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a street-length dress of powder blue, trimmed with cream lace. A flower girl and a Colonial bouquet of pink carnations, rose and violets completed her ensemble. Mrs. E. Thomas, the bride's cousin, was matron of honor and wore a pale green dress and carnation corsage. Mr. E. Thomas was best man. Mrs. G. Karvelis played the wedding march and during signing of the register Miss E. Otbey sang two solos. The reception table was centred with a three-tiered wedding cake embroidered in pink tulle and flanked by tall white tapers. For a honeymoon trip to Vancouver the bride donned a powder blue ensemble trimmed with silver fox fur. On their return they will reside at Port Alberni.

GRIMSBY, England (CP) — The trawler Bindburg has landed a record catch of hake approximately 22 tons, valued at £6,320 (£4,480).

Y.P. Organizations

Chi-Rho Fellowship will hold a Valentine social in the St. Michael's Hall, Richmond Road, Friday at 8 p.m.

Central Baptist Young People met Friday with Jack Cornock in the chair. Mr. Harrison gave an interesting message and a vocal duet by Miss Emma Gower and Cliff Biddlecombe enjoyed. A Valentine social will be held Wednesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Wills.

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Victoria Man Runs Club In Germany

OLDENBURG, Germany, Feb 12.—Victoria, British Columbia, can prepare itself for bigger and better things when Lieut. Max Poynts hits the repat trail.

Max, formerly of the Canadian McNaughton club for officers at Oldenburg. His association with the club goes back much further than the mere job of manager, for Max is the man who built the club into the finest officers' recreation centre on the continent. The McNaughton club was an apartment house when he first saw it. Everyone said "Impossible," but not Max. "It's an eight months' job" cried the authorities.

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A time schedule was set and 59 days later the club was opened.

Six hours after the army gave the go sign, Max had completed the design for the club. To the German architect he explained exactly what he wanted. At 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the first day plans were completed. At six, construction began.

The most surprising thing is that the army expenditure of the venture was almost negligible. As well as a great organizer, Max is a superb scrounger. He appointed a committee of five Jerries whom he called his 'Weasel Section.' They scouted the countryside spotting out furniture and equipment that could be requisitioned or borrowed.

A dance floor was hollowed out of the centre of the building. The stage is built on a clam shell style with an eye to accoustics. A switchboard of 22 keys operates the lighting effects. Hundreds of tiny lights twinkle on the deep blue ceiling like stars on a sultry August night, giving the dance hall the title of "Stardust Room."

All the rooms are tastefully decorated, in distinctly Canadian style. Much of the furniture is the property of the Duke of Oldenburg.

Music was the biggest problem. To convert German orchestras who haven't been playing popular music for six years, still back in the "Bye Bye Blues" days, into a snappy swing band, was another of the superhuman feats that Max accomplished.

He schooled German singers in the slow sultry torch type of song, rearranged the orchestra's scores, wrote a couple of tunes himself and in no time flat had the Jerries jiving to the beat of their own music. The theme song of the dance band is "Springtime," a catchy tune written by Max. True to Max's ability for getting things done, "Springtime" was written at 6 o'clock and played with full orchestration at 8:30. Max, of course, gives himself little credit for the whole project.

"Any fool could draw up a design or set an orchestra on the right beat," he modestly declares, "but it's all the people who contributed to the McNaughton, who deserve the credit, from the army authorities ... est Joe who threw in two cents worth. There are people too numerous to mention, tied up with the success of the club."

Now that the big job of organizing is completed, Max is anxious to get home to Victoria to his wife and little daughter. He has big plans for the future. He proposes to invest in a club of his own, the like of which Victoria has never seen.

Young Conservatives Hear General Pearkes

Greater Victoria Young Progressive-Conservatives, meeting last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Skillings, heard an address by Major-General G. R. Pearkes V.C., M.P., and entered into discussions in which many divergent views were expressed.

General Pearkes told the gathering that young people of Canada were becoming more and more interested in governmental affairs. He welcomed this interest.

Your Daily Forecast

By EDWARD A. WAGNER

PLANETARY GUIDE FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1946

Keywords for the Day: Economy, luck, news.

Wednesday in General: Emotional factors and sensitive feelings must be taken into consideration in all dealings Wednesday a.m. Strong trends favor art, music, romance and ... luck and prosperity plays a role in the day's events.

If February 13 Is Your Birthdate: "Many happy returns." Famous persons born on this date include: Rodman Wanamaker, merchant; Charles Barnard, author and dramatist, David Dudley Field, jurist and author.

Your Year Ahead: If you are realistic in your approach to planning, work matters, care of health this year, a series of favorable and lucky rays promise you prosperity and happiness. Double-check on changes which in any way affect your future for possible over-optimism, misjudgment.

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LONDON (CP)—G. H. Whiteman, chief officer and secretary of the London Salvage Corps, will retire at his own request on June 28 on reaching his 65th birthday. He has completed 34 years' service as secretary.

At the Theatres

ATLAS THEATRE John Farrow brings to the screen his newest directorial achievement, "You Came Along," a Hal Wallis production starring Robert Cummings, Don DeFore and Lizabeth Scott which ends tonight at the Atlas Theatre. Only a man who understands what it is to live life to the fullest in fleeting moments could have done such an inspired directorial job. For this is the story of an heroic flyer and a courageous girl who fall in love and marry.

CADET THEATRE The tense dramatic qualities of "And Now Tomorrow," now at the Cadet Theatre, are said to be intensified by the restrained interpretation of Alan Ladd's performance. Loretta Young gives one of the finest delineations in her glorious screen career it is said, as the beautifully despondent heiress. Susan Hayward as her sister is pert, gay and emotionally eloquent in her dual role of a loving sister and an erring one.

YORK THEATRE The co-stars in 'One Romantic Night,' which ends tonight at the York Theatre, head a group of players who turn in unfailingly stirring portrayals. Among these are Billy Gilbert as a Viennese coachman, Albert Basserman as the great Beethoven, Binnie Barnes as the fashionable Countess Esterhazy, Sterling Holloway in the role of a bookkeeper at the farm. "One Romantic Night" is made in sprightly tempo and tells its story without any waste motion.

CAPITOL THEATRE "Week-End at the Waldorf," which Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer is presenting at the Capitol Theatre, is a thrilling film attraction that is bound to enjoy great popularity and success. A story of 48 hours packed with excitement, romance and intrigue at the world's most celebrated luxury hotel, "Week-End at the Waldorf" is a picture that must go at the top of your movie shopping list.

DOMINION THEATRE The action in 'Confidential Agent,' now at the Dominion Theatre, takes place in 1937 and, in barest outline, concerns the hair-raising adventures of one Dengrd (played by Charles Boyer) ex-musician, engaged in a secret mission on behalf of Spain's heroic Republicans. The cast includes Lauren Bacall, Katina Paxinou and George Coulouris.

OAK BAY AND PLAZA THEATRES "Madonna of the Seven Moons,' latest Gainsborough film which is now showing at the Plaza and Oak Bay Theatres, stars Phyllis Calvert, Stewart Granger and Patricia Roe and is the first film to be produced with a woman suffering from schizophrenia or dual personality as its central character, and, based upon a factual case as it is the film is definitely well worth seeing.

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ON THE SCREEN

Atlas—"You Came Along," starring Robert Cummings and Lizabeth Scott.

Cadet—Alan Ladd and Loretta Young in "And Now Tomorrow."

Capitol — Van Johnson and Lana Turner in "Week-end at the Waldorf."

Dominion—Charles Boyer and Lauren Bacall in "Confidential Agent."

Oak Bay and Plaza — "Madonna of the Seven Moons," starring Phyllis Calvert and Stewart Granger.

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York—Ilona Massey and Alan Curtis in "One Romantic Night."

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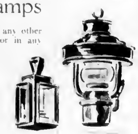

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